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GLORY BECKONS FOR PERTH

The 2000/01 season is only one week old but, like the beginning of every new season, people are already speculating as to who'll be the team to beat come finals time. Will Wollongong be able to make it back-to-back titles? Can the Glory go one step further than last season? (we certainly hope so!)

The general consensus among the "experts" points to a golden season for Bernd and his boys. Certainly the popular German appears to have a squad capable of erasing last season's grand final disappointment, but as is often the case, the most talented team on paper doesn't always take the prize.

BERND STANGE

"My team did well last season," Stange said, "but this year I think it will be a bit harder for us because now everybody wants to beat Perth Glory, especially at Perth Oval."

Despite Stange's cautious optimism, there seems to be a good feeling, one of quiet confidence about the Glory camp this season, perhaps more so than ever before.

The club has signed six players during the winter. There's nothing unusual about that, nor the fact that a similar number have departed. But what is encouraging is the character of the new players and the way they have fitted in, particularly the big names from interstate. Damian Mori, Brad Maloney, PJ Roberts and Shane Pryce are all super players individually but they are also all very hard workers on the pitch and great team players and you just get the impression that the Glory may have come out of an off-season slightly ahead for possibly the first time since joining the league.

So, who will be the teams to beat? Despite losing several key players, including goalkeeper Les Pogliacomi and Mark Robertson, along with coach Nick Theodorakopoulos, you'd have to consider reigning champions Wollongong, particularly after last week's performance against the Glory.

Another of last season's finalists, Carlton look very strong despite Simon Colosimo's inevitable move overseas and the loss of Brazilian sharpshooter Alex Moreira who's gone to Northern Spirit, though they have bought experienced Socceroos defender Steve Horvat to the club.

Marconi should also be there or thereabouts come finals time. They've lost big names in Maloney and Zeljko Babic but they've done well to capture Angelo Costanzo from Adelaide and of course James Afkos.

After a turbulent final season in Perth, Troy Halpin joined Sydney Olympic, along with Socceroos goalkeeper Clint Bolton. However, whether these additions can offset the loss of stars such as Brett Emerton, Pablo Cardozo and Gabriel Mendez remains to be seen.

Parramatta have considerably bolstered their defence by signing ex-Socceroos captain Alex Tobin, Nick Orlic, Les Pogliacomi and ex-Glory player Hamilton Thorp. The Power will be desperate for a top-six finish, although it might be tough to overcome the loss of Mile Sterjovski and Jacob Burns.

Northern Spirit look good on paper with Mendez, Moreira and earlier this week Craig Foster, just three of several quality players who've come on board, and with Scottish giant Glasgow Rangers now owning 51 per cent of the club, there'll be no shortage of money to lure more top players.

Like Spirit, today's opponent South Melbourne will be an interesting team to watch. Without the distraction of the Club World Championship this campaign, will they be able to return to the form that saw them win successive NSL titles? And with a new coach in former Lakers favourite Mike Petersen, can they rediscover their passion and hunger? Former Glory pair Vas Kalogeracos and Con Boutsianis, along with WA goalkeeper Michael Petkovic and veteran ex-Socceroo Mehmet Durakovic, should go some way to replacing Michael Curcija and Con Blatsis, who both headed overseas.

Adelaide look as though they may be about to enter a rebuilding phase after 11 successive finals appearances and, although capable of causing an upset, none of the other sides appear to have the depth to sustain a challenge over 30 weeks.

It's still early days but the champion seems likely to come from one of last season's top-six, with the exception of Adelaide, with the big improvers being Parramatta and Northern Spirit, while South Melbourne looms as a possible dark horse.

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GLORY NIGHTS PREMIERE

There is always an air of excitement when South Melbourne visits Perth Oval and it has nothing to do with the fact that Perth Glory on average knocks three goals past its esteemed opponent.

South, the NSL champion in two of the last three seasons, has a reputation for playing an attractive open style of soccer and presumably nothing has changed under new coach Mike Petersen, who has succeeded Ange Postecoglou, now the Australian under-17 supremo.

Petersen will be keen to end a hoodoo, for the Victorian side has never won in Perth. The Glory triumphed 4-0 in its debut season in the NSL, won 4-1 the next season, 2-1 the one after that and 3-1 last season.

Alistair Edwards has scored four times in the last four meetings between the teams, while wing-back Scott Miller usually also does well. He has hit the target twice in the last five games against the Melbourne team.

There's plenty of local interest in the South side, which has re-signed one of its favourite sons, Con Boutsianis, following a near two-season spell with the Glory. Boutsianis is recovering from knee surgery and is unlikely to be involved today.

But there will be bigger interest in the return of former Glory favourite Vas Kalogeracos, who left the club under a bit of a cloud early last season and joined South a few weeks ago. He scored on his debut against Adelaide City Force last week, coming off the bench to hit the target in the dying seconds of the 3-1 win.

Kalogeracos used to be a thorn in South's side when he played for the Glory, twice getting hat-tricks. He bagged three spectacular goals including the one that took out the SBS goal of the year award when South first visited Perth Oval in the 1996/97 seasons.

And Vas got three more the following year, this time in the 3-3 draw at Bob Jane Stadium.

There is another WA link. South goalkeeper Michael Petkovic is the younger brother of the Glory's custodian, Jason Petkovic.

Glory hasn't lost at Perth Oval since going down 2-1 to Newcastle Breakers on April 16, its only home defeat during the second half of the home-and-away season.

By Mel Moffat
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ROUND 1 ROUND-UP LAST ROUND IN REVIEW

PARRAMATTA POWER 0 MARCONI STALLIONS 2

Highly-fancied Parramatta got off to a disappointing start to the 2000/01 season, losing 2-0 at home to Sydney rivals Marconi. The Power dominated early on and rarely looked threatened with former Wollongong keeper Les Pogliacomi between the posts and veteran Alex Tobin and South Melbourne's Nick Orlic holding the Stallions at bay. But the match turned when Parramatta defender Peter Bennett retaliated to a strong tackle and was sent off just before the break. Both sides had chances after the interval but two superb strikes by Marconi wing-back Chad Gibson, the second a brilliant free-kick, saw Eddie Krncevic's team take all three points.

BRISBANE STRIKERS 1 MELBOURNE KNIGHTS 2

Melbourne Knights showed their much-improved form towards the end of last season was no flash-in-the-pan with a hard-fought win away to Brisbane Strikers. And it was two of the team's new players, both making their NSL debut for the club, who scored the goals. Midfielder Andy Vargas, who joined Vlado Vanis' squad from Eastern Pride (formerly Gippsland) during the off-season, opened the scoring with a free-kick from just outside the area. Peter Grierson made it 1-1 when he flicked in a corner at the near post just before the hour. But the Knights were not to be denied and striker Xhezair Sulemani tucked away the winner on 69 minutes after rounding the keeper and calmly slotting home.

EASTERN PRIDE 1 NEWCASTLE UNITED 1

Newcastle managed to put their pre-season turmoil behind them for 90 minutes to come away from Mobil Park with a share of the points against Eastern Pride). But it took a late penalty from ex-Wollongong midfielder Anthony Surjan to secure the draw after the Pride's English signing Neville Roach had given his team the lead with a scorching drive just after half-time. Earlier John Buonavoglia had been thwarted twice by the good work of Bojo Jevdjevic in goal, while another former Wolves player, Esala Masi, also went close for Newcastle. Then just when it looked as though the Victorian side had weathered the storm, Buonavoglia was fouled in the area and Surjan did the rest.

SYDNEY UNITED 2 NORTHERN SPIRIT 1

Sydney United provided the shock of the opening round with a come-from-behind win against title hopefuls Northern Spirit. But for new Pumas coach Alan Hunter, things couldn't have got off to a worse start after Mathew Langdon had given the Spirit the lead with only five minutes gone. However, on a weekend where a number of players making debuts for their new club got on the scoresheet, Zlatko Arambasic made his mark with two late strikes to make it a winning start for Hunter. The former Sydney Olympic striker equalised after 73 minutes, then stunned the crowd when he scored the decisive goal just three minutes from time.

ADELAIDE CITY FORCE 1 SOUTH MELBOURNE 3

South Melbourne did enough in this match to suggest they'll be a force this season after a disappointing 1999/2000 campaign with a convincing 3-1 win away to Adelaide. South striker Andy Vlahos had a mixed game, scoring his side's first two goals but being sent off after receiving a yellow card on each occasion for over-celebrating. After a goalless first-half, Vlahos made it 1-0 before Bradley Hassell equalised for the home team with 10 minutes remaining. Vlahos responded with a superb second, outpacing the Force defence and coolly chipping goalkeeper Adrian Cagalj, before substitute Vas Kalogeracos, on his South Melbourne debut, completed the scoring in the dying moments.

WOLLONGONG WOLVES 1 PERTH GLORY 1

Perth Glory survived a late Wollongong onslaught to grab a share of the points in this grand final replay at WIN Stadium. After a quiet first half, the game burst to life after the break with Damian Mori scoring with a brilliant free-kick on his Glory debut to celebrate his 300th NSL match. But the lead didn't last long as Edgar Junior was harshly ruled to have fouled Scott Chipperfield in the area and Stuart Young duly converted from the spot. Jason Petkovic and the woodwork combined to deny the Wolves, before the home side were awarded a second penalty in stoppage time. But this time Petkovic guessed the right way and blocked Young's weak shot to ensure the final result stayed at 1-1.

CANBERRA COSMOS 1 CARLTON 2

Carlton made it five consecutive wins against Canberra Cosmos but they were made to fight all the way against a spirited Cosmos side. Blues coach Stuart Munro rushed Archie Thompson into his starting line-up after the dangerous striker had only just returned from trials in Austria. And it was Thompson who gave his side the lead from close range after Canberra keeper Barney Smith flapped at a corner. Another defensive lapse saw Thompson double the lead just after half-time and it was only a superb save by Smith that denied him a hat-trick soon after. Canberra kept fighting and were rewarded 20 minutes from the end when Marcus Phillips scored the goal of the night - a brilliant curling effort from 25 yards.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 2 FOOTBALL KINGZ 0

Last season's top-six finallists Sydney Olympic comfortably beat Football Kingz and showed they plan to be up there competing for a playoff position again this time around, despite losing a number of star players during the off-season. Coach Branko Culina has got a lot of promising young players in his squad but it was two of the more experienced campaigners whose goals made it a perfect start for the Sydneysiders. Ante Moric, playing his first NSL match for the club, opened the scoring after 34 minutes, before former NSL Player of the Year, Kresimir Marusic made sure of the points with his first goal for Olympic 12 minutes before full-time.

NSL STATISTICS

LEAGUE TABLE AND FIXTURES

LEAGUE TABLE AFTER ROUND 1

TEAM	PL	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
South Melbourne	1	1	0	0	3	1	3	+2
Marconi Stallions	1	1	0	0	2	0	3	+2
Sydney Olympic	1	1	0	0	2	0	3	+2
Carlton SC	1	1	0	0	2	1	3	+1
Melbourne Knights	1	1	0	0	2	1	3	+1
Sydney United	1	1	0	0	2	1	3	+1
Eastern	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
Newcastle United	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
Perth Glory	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
Wollongong Wolves	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
Brisbane Strikers	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	–1
Canberra Cosmos	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	–1
Northern Spirit	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	–1
Adelaide City Force	1	0	0	1	1	3	0	–2
Kingz FC	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	–2
Parramatta Power	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	–2

FIXTURES THIS ROUND

Fri 20-Oct-00	Northern Spirit	V	Sydney Olympic	North Sydney Oval
Fri 20-Oct-00	Adelaide City Force	V	Sydney United	Hindmarsh Stadium
Fri 20-Oct-00	Newcastle	V	Brisbane Strikers	Marathon Stadium
Fri 20-Oct-00	Kingz FC	V	Eastern Pride	Ericsson Stadium
Sat 21-Oct-00	Marconi Stallions	V	Canberra Cosmos	Marconi Stadium
Sun 22-Oct-00	Melbourne Knights	V	Parramatta Power	Knights Stadium
Sun 22-Oct-00	Carlton SC	V	Wollongong Wolves	Bob Jane Stadium

FIXTURES NEXT ROUND

Fri 27-Oct-00	Parramatta Power	V	Brisbane Strikers	Parramatta Stadium
Fri 27-Oct-00	Kingz FC	V	Newcastle	Ericsson Stadium
Sat 28-Oct-00	Canberra Cosmos	V	Melbourne Knights	Bruce Stadium
Sat 28-Oct-00	Eastern Pride	V	Northern Spirit	Mobil Park
Sat 28-Oct-00	Wollongong Wolves	V	Marconi Stallions	WIN Stadium
Sun 29-Oct-00	South Melbourne	V	Carlton SC	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun 29-Oct-00	Sydney United	V	Perth Glory	Sydney Utd. Sprts. Grnd.
Sun 29-Oct-00	Sydney Olympic	V	Adelaide City Force	Belmore Sprts. Grnd.

NSL STATISTICS

LEADING GOALSCORERS

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE'S LEADING GOALSCORERS

Player	Club	Last Week	Total
Zlatko ARAMBASIC	Sydney United	2	2
Chad GIBSON	Marconi Stallions	2	2
Archie THOMPSON	Carlton	2	2
Andy VLAHOS	South Melbourne	2	2

PERTH GLORY'S LEADING GOALSCORERS

Player	Club	Last Week	Total
Damian Mori	Perth Glory	1	1

NSL STATISTICS

CROWD COMPARISON

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE CROWD COMPARISON

Round 1 (2000/2001)	**30,993**
Round 1 (1999/2000)	**42,007**
Cumulative after Round 1 (1999/2001)	**30,993**
Cumulative after Round 1 (1999/2000)	**42,007**

PERTH GLORY HOME CROWD COMPARISON

Perth Glory v South Melbourne (1999/2000)	**12,385**
Perth Glory v South Melbourne BEST CROWD (1998/1999)	**18,067**

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Sun 29	Sydney United	A																									
Sat 4 Nov	Sydney Olympic	H																									
Sat 11	Eastern Pride	A																									
Sat 18	Football Kingz	H																									
Fri 24	Northern Spirit	A																									
Sat 2 Dec	Adelaide City Force	H																									
Sat 9	Newcastle	H																									
Sun 17	Carlton	A																									
Sat 23	Marconi Stallions	H																									
Sat 30	Melbourne Knights	A																									
Sat 6 Jan	Brisbane Strikers	H																									
Fri 12	Parramatta Power	A																									
Sat 20	Canberra Cosmos	H																									
Sat 27	Wollongong Wolves	H																									
Sun 4 Feb	South Melbourne	A																									
Sat 10	Sydney United	H																									
Sun 18	Sydney Olympic	A																									
Sat 24	Eastern Pride	H																									
Fri 2 Mar	Football Kingz	A																									
Sat 10	Northern Spirit	H																									
Fri 16	Adelaide City Force	A																									
Fri 23	Newcastle	A																									
Sat 31	Carlton	H																									
Sat 7 Apr	Marconi Stallions	A																									
Sat 14	Melbourne Knights	H																									
Sun 22	Brisbane Strikers	A																									
Wed 25	Parramatta Power	H																									
Sun 29	Canberra Cosmos	A																									
	Perth Glory Appearances				30	60	55	9	59	116	117	1	49	103	20	13	0	21	36	1	1	1	29	39	0	0	0
	Perth Glory Goals				0	4	5	2	1	5	10	0	20	40	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	NSL Appearances				185	146	55	9	146	128	166	238	129	126	72	80	0	21	36	300	1	130	29	278	37	0	0
	NSL Goals				0	6	5	2	4	5	13	62	30	50	6	22	0	0	0	149	0	17	0	0	1	0	0

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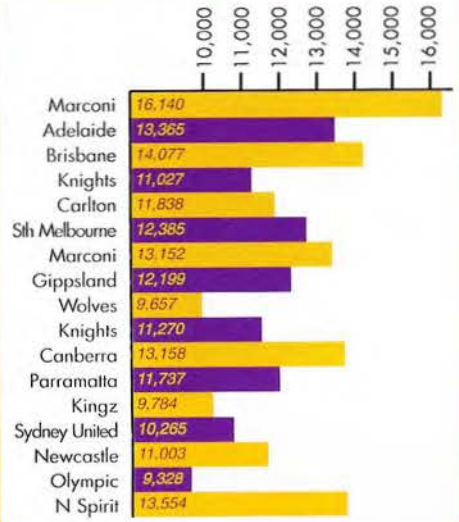

POINTS AND POINTS ACCUMULATION

Round	Points	Round	Points
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4	8	21	37
5	9	22	40
6	9	23	43
7	9	24	46
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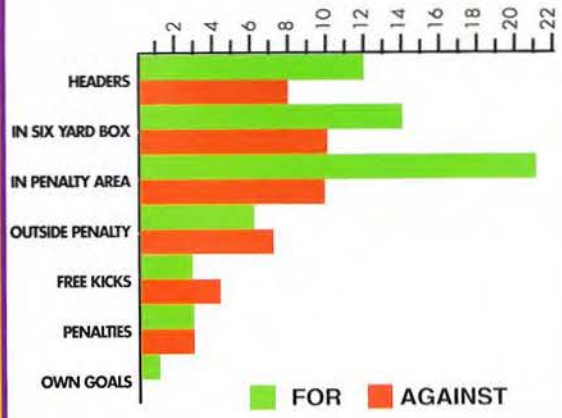

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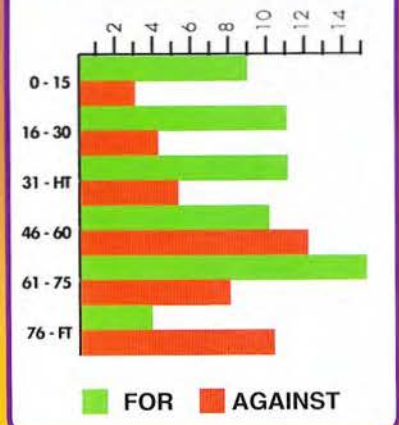

CLUB HISTORY

In 1960 South Melbourne Hellas - formed the previous year from an amalgamation of three clubs - won the Victorian first division (north) championship at just their first attempt. They were soon promoted to the Victorian state league first division, and by the time the NSL started in 1977, the club had won the Victorian major title seven times.

After an overall slow first eight years in the NSL, Souths won the 1984 championship, winning out in a two-legged grand final 4-2 on aggregate over Sydney Olympic. A grand final victory ensued again in 1990/91 with a win on penalties over Melbourne Knights. And more recently Souths secured their third and fourth championships with grand final wins over Carlton (2-1) in 1997/98 and Sydney United (3-2) the following season. The Victorian club then went on to qualify for the inaugural World Club Championships in Brazil as Oceania champions where they performed admirably against the likes of Manchester United and Vasco da Gama.

HONOURS

Championships	4	1984, 1990/91, 1997/98, 1998/99
Runners up	1	1981
Premiers	4	1984 (sthn conference), 1985 (sthn conference), 1992/93, 1997/98
Cup winners	2	1989/90, 1995/96

HEAD-TO-HEAD RECORD (ALL NSL MATCHES)

v Opponent	P	W	D	L	F	A	Best result	Worst result
v Adelaide City Force	56	24	12	20	71	69	5-0	0-3
v Brisbane Strikers	19	9	3	7	30	24	5-1	1-5
v Canberra Cosmos	11	4	4	3	19	18	3-1	1-3
v Carlton	11	7	1	3	22	20	3-0	0-5
v Eastern Pride	19	14	5	0	39	15	5-1	0-0
v Football Kingz	2	0	0	2	1	4	0-1	1-3
v Marconi Stallions	46	16	9	21	62	78	4-1	0-7
v Melbourne Knights	46	20	16	10	68	47	4-0	0-4
v Newcastle	19	2	4	13	16	41	4-0	1-3
v Northern Spirit	4	2	1	1	6	3	2-0	0-1
v Parramatta Power	2	1	0	1	4	3	4-2	0-1
v Perth Glory	8	2	1	5	10	19	2-1	0-4
v Sydney Olympic	45	23	13	9	73	52	4-1	0-6
v Sydney United	35	14	5	16	45	43	4-0	1-4

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COACH PROFILE

Born: Melbourne 6/5/65

Playing Career
Heidelberg (1983 - 84) 43 games, 4 goals
Brunswick (1985 - 1987) 56 games, 6 goals
South Melbourne (1989 - 1996/97) 171 games, 8 goals

Coaching Career
St Albans - Victorian league (1999)
South Melbourne (2000/01 -)

Mike Petersen is in his first season as an NSL coach but he is no stranger to South Melbourne fans. The talented midfielder was a former Lakers favourite himself, playing 171 games for the club between 1989 and 1997.

Petersen also represented Heidelberg and Brunswick (both now extinct) in an NSL career that spanned 14 seasons and 270 matches, during which time he managed 18 goals. He also played 51 games for the Socceroos, scoring three times and spent a season with Dutch giants Ajax Amsterdam in 1985/86.

Although this is Petersen's debut season as a coach in Australia's highest league, he was assistant coach to Ange Postecoglou in 1997/98, the year South Melbourne won the first of back-to-back championships, and last year he was at the helm of Victorian state league side St Albans.

One on One With Kasey Wehrman

PLAYER PROFILE

Birthdate: 16/8/77
Height: 180cm **Weight:** 75kg
NSL Games: 72
NSL Goals: 6
National Rep Honours: Young Socceroos, Olyroos, Socceroos

The good news for Glory fans was that one of Australia's most impressive players was Kasey Wehrman. The bad new is that the taste of the big time Kasey enjoyed with the Olyroos and then in Dubai with the senior international side has merely whetted his appetite for a move overseas.

And while the all-action midfielder admits Glory hasn't seen the very best of him he hopes supporters will understand his desire to head for Europe. Kasey spoke to Bob Figg.

Tell us how you felt about the Olympics

Excited, sad, something to remember and cherish.

And the goal against Nigeria?

That was my highlight. I played a very strong game. I didn't play as well in the game against Italy but played well in the last two games. I was happy with my performances.

How did you feel when Italian coach Marco Tardelli singled you out for praise?

It was good. I was pretty excited. I didn't play a flashy type of game against Italy, I played a strong game where me and Ambrosini cancelled each other out. I thought we both played very strong games. For him (Tardelli) to see that meant a lot to me because people don't appreciate that type of game sometimes.

Frank Farina made comments about you having to play overseas to maintain a place with the Socceroos. How did you feel?

I said to myself I am getting on the next boat to get myself a team. The club (Glory) knew I was only here for one season and they know I am desperate to get overseas and play at the very highest level each week.

I played for the Olyroos at a high level and the Socceroos and I want to stay at that level. I am not saying the NSL is bad but look, if you want to play top teams you have to be in Europe.

How soon will you go? Rumours have linked you with Feyenoord in Holland and a Danish club.

There is a lot of talk around at the moment. I want to go as soon as possible. If I can find a club that wants me I will go.

I am not unhappy with the Glory, I want to make that clear, I just want to go to the next level. Hopefully something will come through in the next one to two days on where I will go.

Do you have a preference for a country?

I would like to go to England but I cannot go there because of work permits. Anywhere in Europe really. Anywhere that a club will give a young player a chance.

Is there a danger that you are rushing it?

There is a danger of that but if these things don't done quickly, then they don't get done in five, six, seven or eight months, then I reach a level where people don't want to take me.

I have played for the Olyroos and Socceroos and there is no reason why I should not be there Look at Jacob Burns (the former Parramatta Power player who made his Premiership debut for Leeds last week) I know I am just as good as him.

I am not afraid of not making it, I know I can make it.

Is there a sense of making up for lost time after losing a year to your serious ankle injury?

There is that because of the injury. I could not run and I lost a year. I have to work every day but I have been fit and the time is right.

Do you think Glory have had good value for money?

Yes and no. I feel here at the Glory you will be accepted if you are a goalscorer. Look at Ivan Ergic, who scored 10 or so goals in his first season, which was excellent. But behind those players there are hard workers, workers like myself and Troy Halpin, who they will miss a lot this season, because he worked hard in behind and created chances for the strikers.

It was my first year and I know the team finished third the year before, but we got in the Grand Final.

They maybe didn't see the best of me.

You took a risk playing in the Grand Final with your ankle injury?

That is something the whole team worked hard for and I wanted to be part of it.

How hard did the Grand Final loss hurt?

It was difficult because we played well enough to win the game but in the second half we defended too much and let them come at us. For 34 games and 45 minutes we played well. We didn't play 45 minutes well enough and it cost us a Grand Final.

And a message for the Glory fans?

If I had to stay here I could. But it is time for me to go and I hope the fans will understand that. I am sure the fans want the best for the players too.

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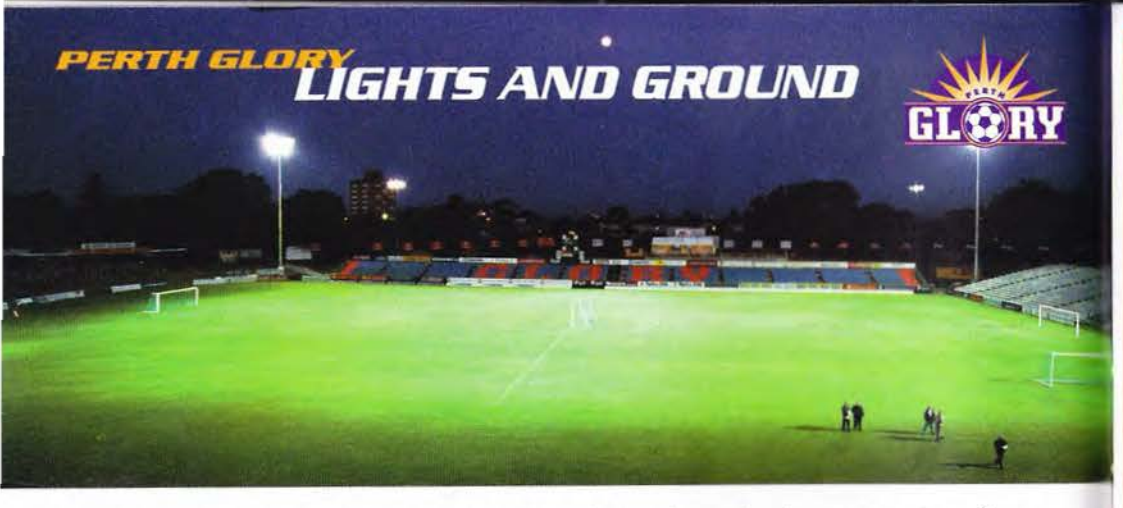

The four months since that dramatic and unforgettable final day of the 1999/2000 NSL season have seen two of the biggest off-field developments in the brief history of Perth Glory.

There was the installation of floodlights at Perth Oval, which allowed matches to be played in the cooler evenings, making for much more comfortable conditions, both to play and watch the games. But of even greater significance to the club is the fact that the first steps towards the construction of the new custom-built stadium have been taken. It might be difficult to notice anything at this stage, but if all goes to schedule, the Glory could be playing there towards the end of next season.

Like his teammates, skipper Gareth Naven can't wait for the day and said it was important for the club to have a place Glory fans and players can really call their own.

"We've created our own history and atmosphere at Perth Oval," he said, "and obviously we're going to be at the new stadium for a long time, so hopefully we can create some history and start decking the silverware out in our own clubrooms."

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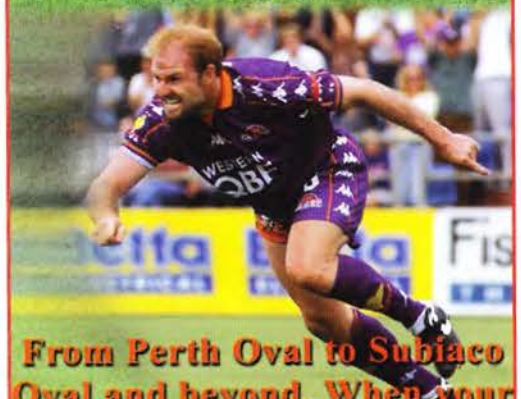

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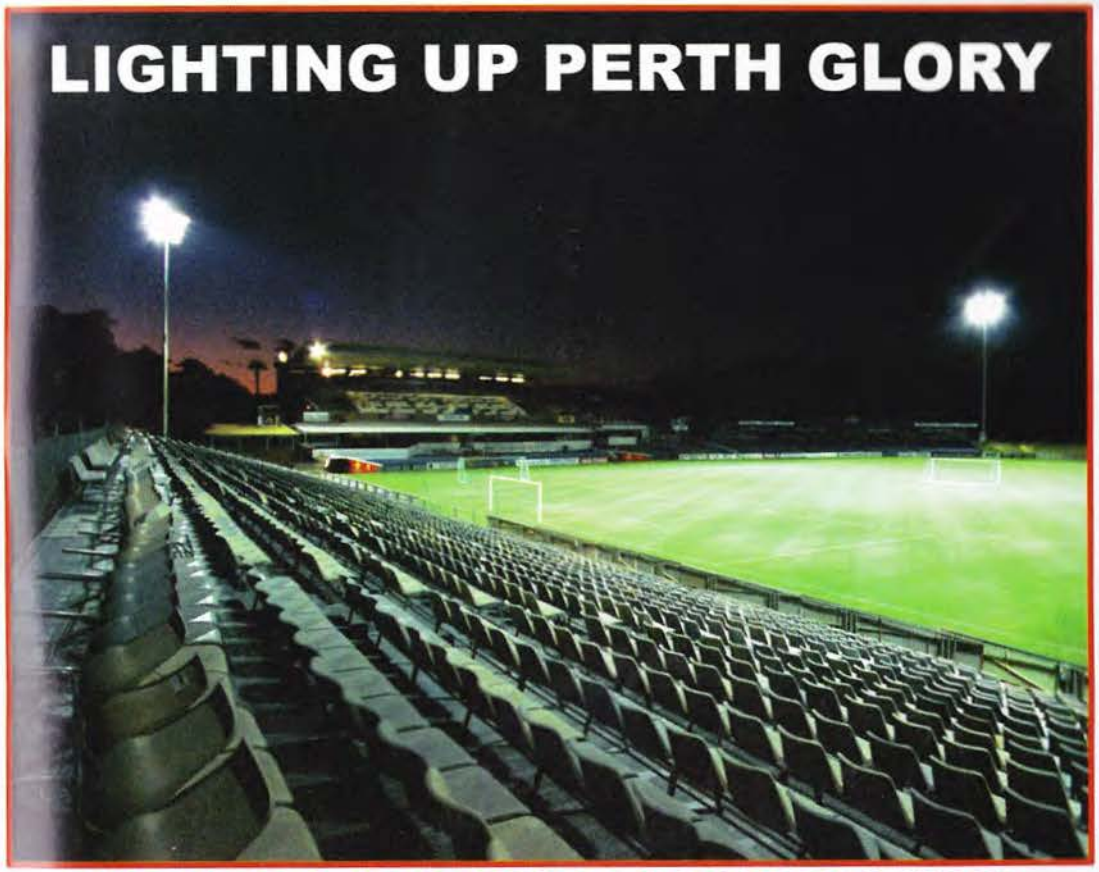

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DAMIAN MORI

Look out NSL defences. That was the message sent out by Perth Glory after they completed the signing of Damian Mori from Adelaide City Force.

The NSL's worst-kept secret was unveiled when the league's all-time leading goalscorer put pen to paper in front of a packed media conference.

The 30-year-old said he was delighted to join Perth Glory and although it was difficult in some ways to leave Adelaide, he was really looking forward to playing in front of the passionate crowds at Perth Oval.

After topping the goalscoring list last season with 22 goals, in the process moving past Rod Brown's record NSL total of 136 goals.

the third time he has been the league's top scorer, there will be high expectations from Glory fans.

"I think you have to have expectations of yourself as a players," he said. "I set myself goals and expectations and if I'm fulfiling those, I know I'll be playing well."

There's no doubt Mori has the pedigree - he's quick , has two good feet, possesses a powerful shot, is cool around goal and, as he's shown week-in, week out, he certainly knows where the target is.

Not only will Mori add sharpness (and hopefully a few goals), he's also one of the most experienced players in the NSL, having played his 300th match last week against Wollongong, as well as representing Australia 38 times. And he hopes to add another championship to the one he won with Adelaide in 1993/94.

"Yes, of course (I do). That's what we play for," he said. "Perth did so much last year and to lose the grand final the way they did was very disappointing for everyone. Most of the boys are still hurting about that and that's all the better for this season."

PLAYER PROFILE

Birthdate: 30/9/70
Birthplace: Melbourne
Height: 178cm
Weight: 88kg
Previous Clubs: South Melbourne, Borrosia Monchengladbach (Germany), Adelaide City
NSL Games: 300
NSL Goals: 149
National Rep Honours: Socceroos

BRAD MALONEY

It may have taken a while but Perth Glory finally got their man in Brad Maloney. The star midfielder was a target for Bernd Stange before the start of last season but opted to re-sign with Marconi. However, the lure to head west was too tempting the second time around and Maloney was delighted to join the Glory.

"I think it's fair to say there's been a mutual attraction," he said. "Playing here for Marconi against Perth Glory, I've always enjoyed the atmosphere and the club itself."

"Obviously a very good team's been put together by Bernd Stange and it's something I really want to be part of. I just see that Perth have such a bright future and one of my ambitions as a footballer is to win the league and I just want to give myself every opportunity to play well and make the national side."

With midfielders Troy Halpin, Ivan Ergic and Con Boutsianis departing in the off-season, Maloney is the ideal replacement. He's a tireless worker who'll run all day from one penalty box to the other. But he's also an extremely talented player who can create havoc for opposition defences with his vision and distribution.

And to top it all off the 1998/99 NSL Player of the Year is a goalscoring midfielder, much in the mould of Boutsianis. In fact in 238 NSL games, he's managed 62 goals, a great strike-rate for a midfielder.

And he didn't take long to open his account for the Glory, scoring against Adelaide Blue Eagles just 11 minutes into his first game for his new club. He followed up with another goal against the Slovakian Olympic side and a cracker in the hit-out with local side Inglewood.

One of Maloney's strengths is his ability to make late, unchecked runs into the opposition penalty box, as the Glory have discovered more than once in the past.

He said he was eagerly looking forward to playing in front of the huge Perth crowds and wasn't feeling any excessive pressure following in the footsteps of former crowd favourites Ergic, Halpin and Boutsianis.

"Not necessarily, I think there'll always be a certain amount of pressure to perform," he said.

"I just want to be able to play as well as I can and hopefully make a valuable contribution to the team and the team's success."

PLAYER PROFILE

Birthdate: 19/1/72
Birthplace: Sydney
Height: 175cm
Weight: 74kg
Previous Clubs: Marconi, Sydney Olympic, Newcastle
NSL Games: 238
NSL Goals: 62
National Rep Honours: Aust U/20, Olyroos, Socceroos

PJ ROBERTS

Of the four interstate signings, Paul Roberts may be the least recognised to Perth fans, but he's certainly well known to Bernd Stange who's been an admirer of the 26-year-old for a couple of seasons now.

The former Australian Institute of Sport scholarship holder was initially signed to fill a midfield position for his new club but before the season's out, he could well become the Glory's "Mr Versatile", if the pre-season matches are anything to go by.

"Yeah, I've played a few positions in my career from sweeper to right wing-back - I've been able to plug the holes," he said, "but midfield is my preferred, and I think my best position."

PJ (as he prefers to be known) has only played 36 NSL games - but that's not to say he hasn't squeezed a lot of soccer into his career.

"I had a few trials lined up when I finished high school but my parents were quite keen for me to keep studying and so was I," he said," and the best way to try and blend the two was through a scholarship in America."

"I sent away to the top soccer university and got a few offers. Then there was a recruiter from one of the big colleges and straight after the game he came up and offered me a full scholarship and off I went."

He certainly made a big impression in America, being named captain of Soccer America magazine's All-American team and also making the NSCAA/UMBRO All-American team.

"The soccer was fantastic," he said, "and I was able to finish my degree so yes, everything worked out really well."

But it's not just in the outdoor version that he excels - Roberts is also pretty handy at the indoor game. In fact he holds the rather unusual distinction of having represented his country at both indoor and outdoor soccer, having played at two World University Games for the Australian schoolboys side and being a member of the Australian youth squad.

"When I came back from America I played futsal (indoor soccer) full-time for six months, leading up to the Futsal FIFA World Cup in Spain."

"Now I'm really looking forward to settling down in Perth and getting on with the job of winning the National League this year."

PLAYER PROFILE

Birthdate: 19/12/73
Birthplace: Canberra
Height: 185cm
Weight: 78kg
Previous Clubs: Canberra, University of Nevada (USA)
NSL Games: 36
NSL Goals: 1
National Rep Honours: Uniroos, Aust Futsal Team

SHANE PRYCE

If the determination of new central defender Shane Pryce is any guideline, then Perth Glory is in for a very big season.

The 27-year-old hasn't moved from one side of Australia to the other for the weather or lifestyle...he wants to experience the elation of having a National Soccer League winner's medal hanging round his neck.

He reckons hitching his wagon to Perth's star is his best chance of achieving that dream.

Born and bred in the Northern NSW steel town of Newcastle, Pryce had won local adulation as a hometown hero, stepping out in around 130 NSL games for Newcastle Breakers before taking the controversial decision to step away from the troubled club, which was scuppered a few weeks ago after hitting a jagged unfinancial reef.

Pryce was the first of several Newcastle players to break free, claiming breach of contract over non-payment of superannuation and other monies. There was also the matter of realising that the club was facing a bleak future, even if it had managed to ride out some stormy times.

"If I was going to move to any place it had to be Perth," said Pryce. "It had the reputation of being the most professional club in the league...and now I know that for a fact."

The big centre-back can make an amazing boast...he has never been red-carded in the NSL. Sure he's missed games through suspension because of an accumulation of yellow cards...he only missed one of the Breakers 34 games last season...but his disciplinary record is otherwise astonishing for a player who operates in a position where being abrasive is accepted.

Bernd Stange has made no secret of his admiration for Pryce and the Glory coach made an unsuccessful bid to sign the player last season.

"I asked my friend Lee Sterrey (the Breakers coach), can I please have Shane," said Stange.

"He told me we will talk about it, but that I must part with Troy Halpin in exchange. That was not possible...but now Shane is with us and it is good."

By Mel Moffat
of The West Australian

PLAYER PROFILE

Birthdate: 18/8/73
Birthplace: Newcastle
Height: 182cm
Weight: 77kg
Previous Clubs: Newcastle Breakers
NSL Games: 131
NSL Goals: 17
National Rep Honours: None

GARY FARIA

Which player made his Glory debut before he'd even signed a full contract with the club? Well there have actually been two - Simon Harland and Gary Faria. But while the former hasn't been seen since, Faria will be hoping to make a much longer-lasting impression with Glory fans after signing a two-year contract with the premiers.

It's just reward for the 21-year-old midfielder who's enjoyed a couple of very successful seasons in the WA State League.

Despite his promise and good form with Fremantle, many Glory fans were asking "Gary who?" when he was plucked from the local league to bolster a Glory squad ravaged by injury, suspension and national duties against Wollongong last season.

Even though the youngster was only on the pitch for a few minutes, it was an experience that left a big impression and whet his appetite for more big-time action.

And if his pre-season performances are anything to go by, it might not be too long before he is playing regularly in front of big crowds. After doing well on the Glory's trip to South Australia, Faria sparkled in the match in Kanatha against Sydney Olympic, setting up the first three goals and looking every bit an NSL player.

However, despite his familiarity with the Glory set-up and his promising form leading up to the NSL season, Faria is well aware it won't be at all easy breaking into the powerful Glory line-up, particularly a midfield boasting the likes of Kasey Wehrman, Brad Maloney, Edgar Junior, PJ Roberts and Gareth Naven.

"Hopefully I can have a couple of runs, make the bench a couple of times," he said, "and hopefully in my second year establish myself as a regular."

And he can take heart from the fact that Stange has shown in the time he's been here, he's not afraid to give the youngsters a go if he thinks they're up to it. Faria said the continued rise of Jamie Hamwell from a promising defender at Sorrento to a very good NSL defender was something to draw on.

"Yes, seeing Jamie...I used to play against Jamie, so seeing him now establish himself with the Glory is a great inspiration."

PLAYER PROFILE

Birthdate: 9/4/79
Birthplace: East Fremantle
Height: 170cm
Weight: 75kg
Previous Clubs: None
NSL Games: 1
NSL Goals: 0
National Rep Honours: None

ANTHONY DANZE

There will a space on the terraces in the members area in front of the grandstand tonight, with a fan who has stood against a crash barrier for all but one of the Glory's games absent.

Don't worry though, he has not deserted the club, he has joined them and he turned down English Premiership outfit Southampton to do so.

Anthony Danze may only be 16, but he knows what he wants, and what he wants is nothing much, just a place in the Glory line-up and a World Cup spot with the Joeys!

It is a sign of the real impact of Glory, at the grass roots of the game, that Danze felt he was able to stay in Western Australia to pursue his dreams, rather than have to move to the other side of the world.

"You come here and see 15 to 20,000 people watching one of the best teams in the league - there is no reason that you cannot stay here," Danze said.

"When you are ready physically and mentally then there will clubs interested if you are good enough.

"I want to train every day, then hopefully impress in training.. I don't expect to start games, we have the best players in Australia here, but if we get injuries or suspensions then I hope I get an opportunity and if I get an opportunity, I want to stay there."

The teenager played his junior soccer with Stirling Toscany before moving onto Perth Juniors, Kingsway Hammers and then Inglewood Hammers. His junior career ended at 15 though, because his senior career started!

Impressive performances for ECU Joondalup attracted the attention of eventually unsuccessful suitor Southampton, who invited Danze to England to offer him a contract. It was not only the Saints who were impressed, with Danze getting called into the initial Joeys squad for the 2001 Under-17 World Cup.

He has now attended a series of camps in the extended squad of 21, soon to whittled down for qualifiers in Samoa in December and if all goes well, the finals next year, in Trinidad and Tobago.

"I want to make the Joeys squad, starting with the qualifiers and get to the World Cup. And then I want to be in the starting line-up and then hope we go one step further than the last squad did," (they lost in the final on a penalty shoot out, last season was not a good one for penalty shoot outs), Danze explained.

A young man who speaks with not a hint of arrogance, one who seems keen to learn and bide his time, Danze has impressed good judges, in WA, nationally and overseas. He may have left a space on the terraces, but those he left behind may get a great deal of enjoyment from watching him achieve those goals.

Bob Figg

SEASON 2000/2001 NSL FIXTURES

Round 1	**13-15 October**			
Fri	13-Oct-00	Parramatta Power	Marconi Stallions	Parramatta Stadium
Fri	13-Oct-00	Adelaide City Force	South Melbourne	Hindmarsh Stadium
Sat	14-Oct-00	Brisbane Strikers	Melbourne Knights	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sat	**14-Oct-00**	**Wollongong Wolves**	**Perth Glory**	**WIN Stadium**
Sat	14-Oct-00	Eastern Pride	Newcastle	Mobil Park
Sat	14-Oct-00	Canberra Cosmos	Carlton	Bruce Stadium
Sun	15-Oct-00	Sydney United	Northern Spirit	Sydney United Sports Centre
Sun	15-Oct-00	Sydney Olympic	Kingz	Belmore Sports Ground
Round 2	**20-22 October**			
Fri	20-Oct-00	Northern Spirit	Sydney Olympic	North Sydney Oval
Fri	20-Oct-00	Adelaide City Force	Sydney United	Hindmarsh Stadium
Fri	20-Oct-00	Newcastle	Brisbane Strikers	Marathon Stadium
Fri	20-Oct-00	Kingz	Eastern Pride	Ericsson Stadium
Sat	**21-Oct-00**	**Perth Glory**	**South Melbourne**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	21-Oct-00	Marconi Stallions	Canberra Cosmos	Marconi Stadium
Sun	22-Oct-00	Melbourne Knights	Parramatta Power	Knights Stadium
Sun	22-Oct-00	Carlton	Wollongong Wolves	Bob Jane Stadium
Round 3	**27-29 October**			
Fri	27-Oct-00	Parramatta Power	Brisbane Strikers	Parramatta Stadium
Fri	27-Oct-00	Kingz	Newcastle	Ericsson Stadium
Sat	28-Oct-00	Canberra Cosmos	Melbourne Knights	Bruce Stadium
Sat	28-Oct-00	Eastern Pride	Northern Spirit	Mobil Park
Sat	28-Oct-00	Wollongong Wolves	Marconi Stallions	WIN Stadium
Sun	29-Oct-00	South Melbourne	Carlton	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun	**29-Oct-00**	**Sydney United**	**Perth Glory**	**Sydney United Sports Centre**
Sun	29-Oct-00	Sydney Olympic	Adelaide City Force	Belmore Sports Ground
Round 4	**3-5 November**			
Fri	3-Nov-00	Northern Spirit	Kingz	North Sydney Oval
Fri	3-Nov-00	Adelaide City Force	Eastern Pride	Hindmarsh Stadium
Fri	3-Nov-00	Newcastle	Parramatta Power	Marathon Stadium
Sat	4-Nov-00	Brisbane Strikers	Canberra Cosmos	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sat	**4-Nov-00**	**Perth Glory**	**Sydney Olympic**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	4-Nov-00	Marconi Stallions	South Melbourne	Marconi Stadium
Sun	5-Nov-00	Melbourne Knights	Wollongong Wolves	Knights Stadium
Sun	5-Nov-00	Carlton	Sydney United	Bob Jane Stadium
Round 5	**10-12 November**			
Fri	10-Nov-00	Kingz	Adelaide City Force	Ericsson Stadium
Fri	**10-Nov-00**	**Eastern Pride**	**Perth Glory**	**Mobil Park**
Sat	11-Nov-00	Northern Spirit	Newcastle	North Power Stadium, Gosford
Sat	11-Nov-00	Parramatta Power	Canberra Cosmos	Penrith Stadium
Sat	11-Nov-00	Wollongong Wolves	Brisbane Strikers	WIN Stadium
Sun	12-Nov-00	South Melbourne	Melbourne Knights	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun	12-Nov-00	Sydney United	Marconi Stallions	Sydney United Sports Centre
Sun	12-Nov-00	Sydney Olympic	Carlton	Belmore Sports Ground
Round 6	**17-19 November**			
Fri	17-Nov-00	Adelaide City Force	Northern Spirit	Hindmarsh Stadium
Fri	17-Nov-00	Newcastle	Canberra Cosmos	Marathon Stadium
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Sat	**18-Nov-00**	**Perth Glory**	**Kingz**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	18-Nov-00	Marconi Stallions	Sydney Olympic	Marconi Stadium
Sun	19-Nov-00	Parramatta Power	Wollongong Wolves	Parramatta Stadium
Sun	19-Nov-00	South Melbourne	Brisbane Strikers	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun	19-Nov-00	Melbourne Knights	Sydney United	Knights Stadium
Round 7	**24-26 November**			
Fri	**24-Oct-00**	**Northern Spirit**	**Perth Glory**	**North Sydney Oval**
Fri	24-Oct-00	Adelaide City Force	Newcastle	Hindmarsh Stadium
Fri	24-Oct-00	Kingz	Carlton	Ericsson Stadium
Fri	24-Oct-00	Wollongong Wolves	Canberra Cosmos	WIN Stadium
Fri	24-Oct-00	Eastern Pride	Marconi Stallions	Mobil Park
Sun	26-Oct-00	South Melbourne	Parramatta Power	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun	26-Oct-00	Sydney United	Brisbane Strikers	Sydney United Sports Centre
Sun	26-Oct-00	Sydney Olympic	Melbourne Knights	Belmore Sports Ground
Round 8	**1-3 December**			
Fri	1-Dec-00	Parramatta Power	Sydney United	Parramatta Stadium
Fri	1-Dec-00	Newcastle	Wollongong Wolves	Marathon Stadium
Sat	2-Dec-00	Canberra Cosmos	South Melbourne	Bruce Stadium
Sat	**2-Dec-00**	**Perth Glory**	**Adelaide City Force**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	2-Dec-00	Brisbane Strikers	Sydney Olympic	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sat	2-Dec-00	Marconi Stallions	Kingz	Marconi Stadium
Sun	3-Dec-00	Melbourne Knights	Eastern Pride	Knights Stadium
Sun	3-Dec-00	Carlton	Northern Spirit	Bob Jane Stadium

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Round 9 8-10 December

Fri	8-Dec-00	Kingz	Melbourne Knights	Ericsson Stadium
Fri	8-Dec-00	Northern Spirit	Marconi Stallions	North Sydney Oval
Fri	8-Dec-00	Adelaide City Force	Carlton	Hindmarsh Stadium
Sat	**9-Dec-00**	**Perth Glory**	**Newcastle**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	9-Dec-00	Eastern Pride	Brisbane Strikers	Mobil Park
Sun	10-Dec-00	South Melbourne	Wollongong Wolves	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun	10-Dec-00	Sydney United	Canberra Cosmos	Sydney United Sports Centre
Sun	10-Dec-00	Sydney Olympic	Parramatta Power	Belmore Sports Ground

Round 10 15-17 December

Fri	15-Dec-00	Newcastle	South Melbourne	Marathon Stadium
Sat	16-Dec-00	Parramatta Power	Eastern Pride	Carrington Park, Bathurst
Sat	16-Dec-00	Canberra Cosmos	Sydney Olympic	Bruce Stadium
Sat	16-Dec-00	Brisbane Strikers	Kingz	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sat	16-Dec-00	Wollongong Wolves	Sydney United	WIN Stadium
Sat	16-Dec-00	Marconi Stallions	Adelaide City Force	Marconi Stadium
Sun	17-Dec-00	Melbourne Knights	Northern Spirit	Knights Stadium
Sun	**17-Dec-00**	**Carlton**	**Perth Glory**	**Bob Jane Stadium**

Round 11 22-23 December

Fri	22-Dec-00	Northern Spirit	Brisbane Strikers	North Sydney Oval
Fri	22-Dec-00	Adelaide City Force	Melbourne Knights	Hindmarsh Stadium
Fri	22-Dec-00	Kingz	Parramatta Power	Ericsson Stadium
Sat	**23-Dec-00**	**Perth Glory**	**Marconi Stallions**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	23-Dec-00	Eastern Pride	Canberra Cosmos	Mobil Park
Sat	23-Dec-00	Sydney United	South Melbourne	Sydney United Sports Centre
Sat	23-Dec-00	Sydney Olympic	Wollongong Wolves	Belmore Sports Ground
Sat	23-Dec-00	Carlton	Newcastle	Bob Jane Stadium

Round 12 29-30 December

Fri	29-Dec-00	Parramatta Power	Northern Spirit	Parramatta Stadium
Fri	29-Dec-00	Newcastle	Sydney United	Marathon Stadium
Fri	29-Dec-00	Wollongong Wolves	Eastern Pride	WIN Stadium
Sat	30-Dec-00	Brisbane Strikers	Adelaide City Force	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sat	30-Dec-00	Canberra Cosmos	Kingz	Bruce Stadium
Sat	**30-Dec-00**	**Melbourne Knights**	**Perth Glory**	**Knights Stadium**
Sat	30-Dec-00	South Melbourne	Sydney Olympic	Bob Jane Stadium
Sat	30-Dec-00	Marconi Stallions	Carlton	Marconi Stadium

Round 13 5-7 January

TBA	TBA	Kingz	Wollongong Wolves	Ericsson Stadium
Fri	5-Jan-01	Adelaide City Force	Parramatta Power	Hindmarsh Stadium
Sat	6-Jan-01	Northern Spirit	Canberra Cosmos	North Power Stadium, Gosford
Sat	**6-Jan-01**	**Perth Glory**	**Brisbane Strikers**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	6-Jan-01	Eastern Pride	South Melbourne	Mobil Park
Sat	6-Jan-01	Marconi Stallions	Newcastle	Marconi Stadium
Sun	7-Jan-01	Sydney Olympic	Sydney United	Belmore Sports Ground
Sun	7-Jan-01	Carlton	Melbourne Knights	Bob Jane Stadium

Round 14 12-14 January

TBA	TBA	Wollongong Wolves	Northern Spirit	WIN Stadium
Fri	**12-Jan-01**	**Parramatta Power**	**Perth Glory**	**Parramatta Stadium**
Fri	12-Jan-01	Newcastle	Sydney Olympic	Marathon Stadium
Sat	13-Jan-01	Canberra Cosmos	Adelaide City Force	Bruce Stadium
Sat	13-Jan-01	Brisbane Strikers	Carlton	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sun	14-Jan-01	Melbourne Knights	Marconi Stallions	Knights Stadium
Sun	14-Jan-01	South Melbourne	Kingz	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun	14-Jan-01	Sydney United	Eastern Pride	Sydney United Sports Centre

Round 15 19-21 January

TBA	TBA	Adelaide City Force	Wollongong Wolves	Hindmarsh Stadium
Fri	19-Jan-01	Northern Spirit	South Melbourne	North Sydney Oval
Fri	19-Jan-01	Newcastle	Melbourne Knights	Marathon Stadium
Fri	19-Jan-01	Kingz	Sydney United	Ericsson Stadium
Sat	**20-Jan-01**	**Perth Glory**	**Canberra Cosmos**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	20-Jan-01	Eastern Pride	Sydney Olympic	Mobil Park
Sat	20-Jan-01	Marconi Stallions	Brisbane Strikers	Marconi Stadium
Sun	21-Jan-01	Carlton	Parramatta Power	Bob Jane Stadium

Round 16 26-28 January

Fri	26-Jan-01	Northern Spirit	Sydney United	North Sydney Oval
Fri	26-Jan-01	Newcastle	Eastern Pride	Marathon Stadium
Fri	26-Jan-01	Kingz	Sydney Olympic	Ericsson Stadium
TBA	TBA	Carlton	Canberra Cosmos	TBA
Sat	**27-Jan-01**	**Perth Glory**	**Wollongong Wolves**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	27-Jan-01	Marconi Stallions	Parramatta Power	Marconi Stadium
Sun	28-Jan-01	Melbourne Knights	Brisbane Strikers	Knights Stadium
Sun	28-Jan-01	South Melbourne	Adelaide City Force	Bob Jane Stadium

Round 17 2-4 February

Fri	2-Feb-01	Parramatta Power	Melbourne Knights	Parramatta Stadium
Sat	3-Feb-01	Canberra Cosmos	Marconi Stallions	Bruce Stadium
Sat	3-Feb-01	Wollongong Wolves	Carlton	WIN Stadium
Sat	3-Feb-01	Brisbane Strikers	Newcastle	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sat	3-Feb-01	Eastern Pride	Kingz	Mobil Park
Sun	**4-Feb-01**	**South Melbourne**	**Perth Glory**	**Bob Jane Stadium**
Sun	4-Feb-01	Sydney United	Adelaide City Force	Sydney United Sports Centre
Sun	4-Feb-01	Sydney Olympic	Northern Spirit	Belmore Sports Ground

Round 18 9-11 February

Fri	9-Feb-01	Northern Spirit	Eastern Pride	North Sydney Oval
Fri	9-Feb-01	Newcastle	Kingz	Marathon Stadium
Fri	9-Feb-01	Adelaide City Force	Sydney Olympic	Hindmarsh Stadium
Sat	**10-Feb-01**	**Perth Glory**	**Sydney United**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	10-Feb-01	Brisbane Strikers	Parramatta Power	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sat	10-Feb-01	Marconi Stallions	Wollongong Wolves	Marconi Stadium
Sun	11-Feb-01	Melbourne Knights	Canberra Cosmos	Knights Stadium
Sun	11-Feb-01	Carlton	South Melbourne	Bob Jane Stadium

Round 19 16-18 February

Fri	16-Feb-01	Kingz	Northern Spirit	Ericsson Stadium
Sat	17-Feb-01	Canberra Cosmos	Brisbane Strikers	TBA
Sat	17-Feb-01	Wollongong Wolves	Melbourne Knights	WIN Stadium
Sat	17-Feb-01	Eastern Pride	Adelaide City Force	Mobil Park
Sun	18-Feb-01	Parramatta Power	Newcastle	Parramatta Stadium
Sun	18-Feb-01	South Melbourne	Marconi Stallions	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun	18-Feb-01	Sydney United	Carlton	Sydney United Sports Centre
Sun	**18-Feb-01**	**Sydney Olympic**	**Perth Glory**	**Belmore Sports Ground**

Round 20 23-25 February

Fri	23-Feb-01	Newcastle	Northern Spirit	Marathon Stadium
Fri	23-Feb-01	Adelaide City Force	Kingz	Hindmarsh Stadium
Sat	24-Feb-01	Canberra Cosmos	Parramatta Power	Bruce Stadium
Sat	**24-Feb-01**	**Perth Glory**	**Eastern Pride**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	24-Feb-01	Marconi Stallions	Sydney United	Marconi Stadium
Sun	25-Feb-01	Brisbane Strikers	Wollongong Wolves	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sun	25-Feb-01	Melbourne Knights	South Melbourne	Knights Stadium
TBA	TBA	Carlton	Sydney Olympic	TBA

Round 21 2-4 March

Fri	2-Mar-01	Northern Spirit	Adelaide City Force	North Sydney Oval
Fri	**2-Mar-01**	**Kingz**	**Perth Glory**	**Ericsson Stadium**
Sat	3-Mar-01	Canberra Cosmos	Newcastle	Bruce Stadium
Sat	3-Mar-01	Wollongong Wolves	Parramatta Power	WIN Stadium
Sat	3-Mar-01	Eastern Pride	Carlton	Mobil Park
Sun	4-Mar-01	Brisbane Strikers	South Melbourne	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sun	4-Mar-01	Sydney United	Melbourne Knights	Sydney United Sports Centre
Sun	4-Mar-01	Sydney Olympic	Marconi Stallions	Belmore Sports Ground

Round 22 9-11 March

Fri	9-Mar-01	Newcastle	Adelaide City Force	Marathon Stadium
Sat	10-Mar-01	Canberra Cosmos	Wollongong Wolves	Bruce Stadium
Sat	**10-Mar-01**	**Perth Glory**	**Northern Spirit**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	10-Mar-01	Marconi Stallions	Eastern Pride	Marconi Stadium
Sun	11-Mar-01	Brisbane Strikers	Sydney United	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sun	11-Mar-01	Melbourne Knights	Sydney Olympic	Knights Stadium
Sun	11-Mar-01	Parramatta Power	South Melbourne	Parramatta Stadium
TBA	TBA	Carlton	Kingz	TBA

Round 23 16-18 March

Fri	16-Mar-01	Northern Spirit	Carlton	North Sydney Oval
Fri	16-Mar-01	Kingz	Marconi Stallions	Ericsson Stadium
Fri	**16-Mar-01**	**Adelaide City Force**	**Perth Glory**	**Hindmarsh Stadium**
Fri	16-Mar-01	Wollongong Wolves	Newcastle	WIN Stadium
Sat	17-Mar-01	Eastern Pride	Melbourne Knights	Mobil Park
Sun	18-Mar-01	South Melbourne	Canberra Cosmos	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun	18-Mar-01	Sydney United	Parramatta Power	Sydney United Sports Centre
Sun	18-Mar-01	Sydney Olympic	Brisbane Strikers	Belmore Sports Ground

Round 24 23-25 March

Fri	**23-Mar-01**	**Newcastle**	**Perth Glory**	**Marathon Stadium**
Fri	23-Mar-01	Wollongong Wolves	South Melbourne	WIN Stadium
Sat	24-Mar-01	Canberra Cosmos	Sydney United	Bruce Stadium
Sat	24-Mar-01	Marconi Stallions	Northern Spirit	Marconi Stadium
Sun	25-Mar-01	Brisbane Strikers	Eastern Pride	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sun	25-Mar-01	Melbourne Knights	Kingz	Knights Stadium
Sun	25-Mar-01	Parramatta Power	Sydney Olympic	Parramatta Stadium
Sun	25-Mar-01	Carlton	Adelaide City Force	Bob Jane Stadium

Round 25 30 April - 1 March				
Fri	30-Mar-01	Northern Spirit	Melbourne Knights	North Sydney Oval
Fri	30-Mar-01	Kingz	Brisbane Strikers	Ericsson Stadium
Fri	30-Mar-01	Adelaide City Force	Marconi Stallions	Hindmarsh Stadium
Sat	**31-Mar-01**	**Perth Glory**	**Carlton**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	31-Mar-01	Eastern Pride	Parramatta Power	Mobil Park
Sun	1-Apl-01	South Melbourne	Newcastle	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun	1-Apl-01	Sydney United	Wollongong Wolves	Sydney United Sports Centre
Sun	1-Apl-01	Sydney Olympic	Canberra Cosmos	Belmore Sports Ground
Round 26 6-8 April				
Fri	6-Apl-01	Parramatta Power	Kingz	Parramatta Stadium
Fri	6-Apl-01	Newcastle	Carlton	Marathon Stadium
Sat	7-Apl-01	Wollongong Wolves	Sydney Olympic	WIN Stadium
Sat	7-Apl-01	Canberra Cosmos	Eastern Pride	Bruce Stadium
Sat	**7-Apl-01**	**Marconi Stallions**	**Perth Glory**	**Marconi Stadium**
Sun	8-Apl-01	Brisbane Strikers	Northern Spirit	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sun	8-Apl-01	Melbourne Knights	Adelaide City Force	Knights Stadium
Sun	8-Apl-01	South Melbourne	Sydney United	Bob Jane Stadium
Round 27 13-16 April				
TBA	TBA	Carlton	Marconi Stallions	Bob Jane Stadium
TBA	TBA	Sydney United	Newcastle	Sydney United Sports Centre
Fri	13-Apl-01	Kingz	Canberra Cosmos	Ericsson Stadium
Fri	13-Apl-01	Northern Spirit	Parramatta Power	North Sydney Oval
Sat	**14-Apl-01**	**Perth Glory**	**Melbourne Knights**	**Perth Oval**
Sat	14-Apl-01	Eastern Pride	Wollongong Wolves	Mobil Park
Sun	15-Apl-01	Adelaide City Force	Brisbane Strikers	Hindmarsh Stadium
Mon	16-Apl-01	Sydney Olympic	South Melbourne	Belmore Sports Ground
Round 28 20-22 April				
Fri	20-Apl-01	Newcastle	Marconi Stallions	Marathon Stadium
Sat	21-Apl-01	Parramatta Power	Adelaide City Force	Campbelltown Sports Ground
Sat	21-Apl-01	Wollongong Wolves	Kingz	WIN Stadium
Sat	21-Apl-01	Canberra Cosmos	Northern Spirit	Bruce Stadium
Sun	**22-Apl-01**	**Brisbane Strikers**	**Perth Glory**	**Suncorp Metway Stadium**
Sun	22-Apl-01	Melbourne Knights	Carlton	Knights Stadium
Sun	22-Apl-01	South Melbourne	Eastern Pride	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun	22-Apl-01	Sydney United	Sydney Olympic	Sydney United Sports Centre
Round 29 25 April				
Wed	25-Apl-01	Kingz	South Melbourne	Ericsson Stadium
Wed	25-Apl-01	Eastern Pride	Sydney United	Mobil Park
Wed	25-Apl-01	Sydney Olympic	Newcastle	Belmore Sports Ground
Wed	25-Apl-01	Northern Spirit	Wollongong Wolves	North Sydney Oval
Wed	25-Apl-01	Adelaide City Force	Canberra Cosmos	Hindmarsh Stadium
Wed	**25-Apl-01**	**Perth Glory**	**Parramatta Power**	**Perth Oval**
Wed	25-Apl-01	Carlton	Brisbane Strikers	Bob Jane Stadium
Wed	25-Apl-01	Marconi Stallions	Melbourne Knights	Marconi Stadium
Round 30 29 April				
Sun	29-Apl-01	Melbourne Knights	Newcastle	Knights Stadium
Sun	29-Apl-01	Brisbane Strikers	Marconi Stallions	Suncorp Metway Stadium
Sun	29-Apl-01	Parramatta Power	Carlton	Parramatta Stadium
Sun	**29-Apl-01**	**Canberra Cosmos**	**Perth Glory**	**Bruce Stadium**
Sun	29-Apl-01	Wollongong Wolves	Adelaide City Force	WIN Stadium
Sun	29-Apl-01	South Melbourne	Northern Spirit	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun	29-Apl-01	Sydney United	Kingz	Sydney United Sports Centre
Sun	29-Apl-01	Sydney Olympic	Eastern Pride	Belmore Sports Ground

* Please note fixtures are subject to change.

LJUBO MILICEVIC READY TO PERFORM

Forget the dollars, Ljubo's back to his senses. Ljubo Milicevic, one of the NSL's big success stories at the end of last season, admits transfer talk and intrigue have contributed to his sluggish start to the new campaign.

Some performances in pre-season games were below par by the standards he set in last season's finals campaign, which projected the lithe sweeper into the international spotlight.

There was a late call-up to train with the Olyroos, though he didn't make the Sydney squad, and then supposed interest from Europe, with some clubs said to be ready with $1million offers - big bucks for an Australian teenager with only eight national league appearances to his credit.

Milicevic, whose calmness under pressure surprised even his own coaches, said the transfer talk and media attention may have caused him to lose focus, but if his feet were not already on the ground, being relegated to the bench for the season opener against champions Wollongong last week made sure they were.

"The last few weeks have been all over the place," he said. "I've had a million calls with everyone telling me something different, just too much information.

"It took my mind off training and I was not as hungry as I should have been. I wasn't going out hard trying to win every ball. I lost a bit of focus.

"I guess everyone wants to play and I'd be lying if I said I wasn't disappointed at being on the bench.

"I think you'll see me back at my best soon and I'll prove that I should be there all the time."

Milicevic said the transfer speculation was nothing more, with Glory not receiving a definite bid from anyone.

"We didn't have any firm offers, only offers of trials," he said. "I'm not interested in just going over on a poor contract and trying to prove myself in a youth team.

"A lot of other players have had one to two seasons in the NSL and gone on and done well in Europe, people like (Mark) Viduka, (Paul) Okon and (Ned)Zelic."

In the meantime, the 19-year-old giant is concentrating on his spell with Perth and hopes of his first international appearances with the Young Socceroos.

"The World Youth Cup (under-20) is in Argentina in June and we'll have camps and qualifiers before then," said Milosevic. "It's definitely a goal of mine to be a part of that team."

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PRE-SEASON SOUTH AUSTRALIA TRIP

Perth Glory made a little bit of club history when they travelled to Adelaide to take part in a pre-season competition. It was the first time the Glory had played a pre-season match outside WA and after the two games, during which new signings PJ Roberts, Damian Mori, Brad Maloney and Gary Faria all had their first run for the club, Bernd Stange's side returned home with the Trials Cup, as winners of the mini-tournament (fellow NSL side Carlton also took part but didn't play the Glory).

GAME 1

Perth Glory kicked off their pre-season trip to South Australia with a hard-fought 1-1 draw against SA State League champion Adelaide Blue Eagles. Brad Maloney put the Glory ahead early on with a goal in his first match for the club. Bernd Stange's side dominated the game for long periods but couldn't find a second with Dion Valle and PJ Roberts going close before former Adelaide City player Michael Brooks equalised just before half-time. Damian Mori missed a great chance to cap his return to Adelaide with a goal but the Eagles also had a couple of efforts cleared off the line.

GAME 2

Despite resting several senior players, Perth Glory comfortably beat a disappointing Adelaide City Force 2-0. Goals either side of half-time to Peter Buljan and Gareth Naven completed another good workout for Bernd Stange's team as they prepared for the upcoming NSL season. It was very much a youthful Glory side with Gary Faria, John Carbone and on-trial defender Vuko Tomasevic all starting the match, along with Buljan. A plus for the Glory over the two games was the improving performance of sweeper Vinko Buljubasic, who started his first matches for the club since breaking his leg almost two years ago.

The Glory boys meet up with members of Powderfinger.

The squad pose with the Trial Cup they won in South Australia.

GLORY V SLOVAKIA

After success in South Australia, the Glory were back at the WACA Ground to face some much more formidable opposition. The Slovakian Olympic team were the opponents and after taking a while to acclimatise in the first match, they showed WA fans why they came fourth at the European Under-21 Championship earlier this year, with a dazzling display in the second game as they produced some of the best soccer seen in Perth for a few years.

GAME 1

Perth Glory were a bit unlucky to lose the first of their two matches against the Olympic Games qualifiers 1-0. Karol Kisel scored the only goal of the night on the stroke of half-time, finishing superbly after bursting through the heart of the Glory defence. However, it was only the brilliance of all three goalkeepers on show (the visitors changed keepers at the break) that kept the scoreline at 1-0. Slovakia's replacement Kamil Contofalsky was particularly impressive, denying Bernd Stange's side with a string of brilliant saves.

GAME 2

If the Glory felt they deserved something out of the first match, they could have no complaints about the result of the second as the Slovakians handed the Perth side their biggest-ever loss. As he did in Adelaide, Bernd Stange made several changes for the second game but the visitors were far too quick and classy for the NSL side. Jan Slahor banged in two superb first-half goals, before Juraj Czinege and Andrej Poraz found the target in the second half. Brad Maloney pulled one back with a header but Porazik completed the rout with his second moments later.

Slovakia's Olympic Squad.

NORTH-WEST TOUR

With the lingering doubts over the future of Newcastle Breakers as an NSL club, Sydney Olympic were invited to take their place for the pre-season matches against the Glory in WA's north-west. The games were part of the State Government Country Sport Enrichment Scheme, designed to provide regional fans with an opportunity to watch elite level sport. Unfortunately for Bernd Stange, new signing Shane Pryce was injured and didn't travel, while ex-Glory midfielder Troy Halpin, now of course with Olympic, also missed the trip through injury.

GAME 1 - NEWMAN

Perth Glory never really got into stride in Newman as they ground out a hard-fought 0-0 draw against Sydney Olympic. In fact Bernd Stange's side were probably a bit fortunate to come away with a draw after Damon Collina diverted a free-kick onto the post, then 30 seconds later Elias Augerinos beat Jason Petkovic but Ljubo Milicevic cleared off the line. Mass Sarr and Ante Juric both shot wide with only Petkovic to beat, while Bobby Despotovski had Perth's best chance but couldn't beat Clint Bolton from close range in the dying minutes.

GAME 2 - KARRATHA

A brilliant first-half hat-trick by Bobby Despotovski was the highlight as Perth Glory bounced back from a lacklustre performance two days earlier to beat Sydney Olympic 4-2 in Karratha. After a shaky start, the Glory turned on the style to emerge convincing winners. Nick Carle scored early for Olympic but Despotovski equalised within a minute, heading Gary Faria's brilliant cross past Clint Bolton. Carle scored again to give Sydney the lead back, but the Faria-Despotovski combination struck again to make it 2-2. Despotovski completed his hat-trick after the impressive Faria had been brought down in the box and Damian Mori got just reward for another super game when he grabbed his first Glory goal four minutes from time.

Hat-trick hero Bobby Despotovski.

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ON THE ROAD

Perth Glory 1 v Wollongong Wolves 1
Damian Mori 50 — Stuart Young 53 (pen)

Half-Time Score: 0-0 — Attendance: 5,443

Yellow Cards:
Glory - Bobby Despotovski, Edgar Junior
Wollongong - David Huxley, Dino Mennillo

Jason Petkovic was the hero as Perth Glory escaped from WIN Stadium with a valuable point against arch-rivals Wollongong. The Glory goalkeeper saved an injury-time penalty from Stuart Young after substitute Ljubo Milicevic had clumsily brought down Scott Chipperfield. Young had already beaten Petkovic from the spot from a hotly-disputed penalty after Glory debutant Damian Mori had celebrated his 300th NSL appearance with a stunning free-kick just after half-time to give the visitors the lead. But in a rematch of last season's epic grand final, Bernd Stange's side were happy with the draw after Petkovic's goal had been under siege for most of the second half. Twice the Glory were saved by the woodwork and Saso Petrovski in particular wasted a number of chances, before Perth had an amazing double-escape as, first the post and then a goalline clearance by Edgar, denied the hungry Wolves. The Brazilian wasted a great chance to pinch a late winner in the closing minutes before the final, dramatic twist deep into stoppage-time looked like providing more penalty heartbreak for the Glory against Wollongong. But Petkovic completed a superb match by guessing the right way and saving Young's weak shot to ensure the final score stayed at 1-1.

Bernd Stange's Reaction: "I think my team needs a couple of weeks to be back on track. At the end of the day we were a little bit lucky."

Best For Perth Glory: Jason Petkovic, Damian Mori, Shane Pryce, Gareth Naven

Subs- Ljubo Milicevic for Jamie Harnwell (82 mins)

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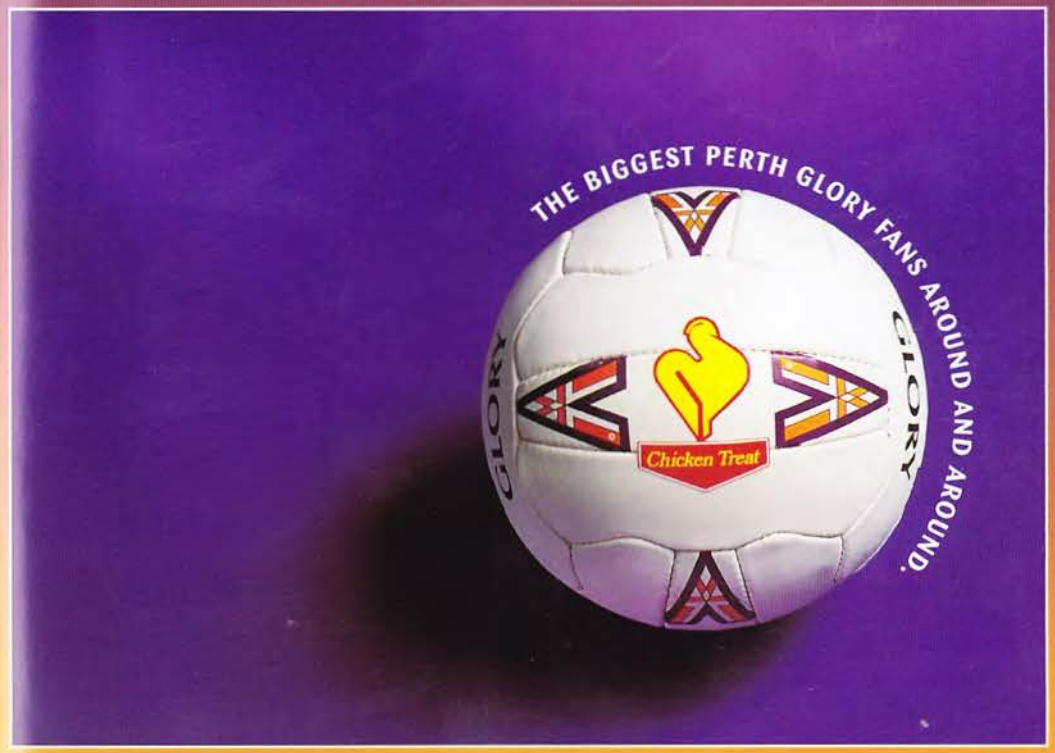
NEW RULES FROM THE WHISTLE-BLOWERS

Glory fans - don't be alarmed to see goalkeeper Jason Petkovic running from one edge of his penalty area to the other with the ball in his hands - as long as he gets rid of it within six seconds. Previously goalkeepers were only permitted four steps with the ball in their hands, but didn't have a specified time they had to release it in. Now they can take as many steps as they wish but cannot hold onto the ball for more than six seconds. If they do, the opposition will be awarded an indirect free-kick from the point the goalkeeper was when the time period elapsed. **National Director of Referees** Gary Powers said the rule was introduced simply to speed up the game and stop time-wasting.

"The four-step rule was brought in to do the same thing," he said, "but they've finally realised that the only way to stop goalkeepers wasting time is to put a time perioid on the amount of time they can hold onto the ball."

Referees have also been told to clamp down on racist remarks and the wearing of potentially dangerous jewellery on the pitch.

Another small, but interesting change to the laws of the game will now require both sides to have an equal number of players on the pitch in the event of a penalty shoot-out. If one team has one or more extra players on the pitch (due to an opponent being sent off), the referee will ask the captain of that side to take one of his players off the field to balance the numbers.



After a disastrous preparation, the Olyroos crashed out of Sydney 2000 with three successive losses. However, the results didn't necessarily reflect the on-field performances of Raul Blanco's side who could quite conceivably have won at least two of their matches. After enjoying a good share of possession in their opening game, a terrible mistake by Hayden Foxe gave Italy victory. A brilliant goal by Perth Glory's Kasey Wehrman saw Australia claw back from 2-0 down to equalise in their second outing against Nigeria, but in a spiteful match, another calamitous blunder, this time by Simon Colosimo, handed the Africans victory. Then with only pride at stake in their final match, the Australians played some sparkling soccer but again defensive frailities cost them dearly as Honduras took the points

GROUP STAGE

GROUP A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Italy	**3**	**2**	**1**	**0**	**5**	**2**	**7**
Nigeria	**3**	**1**	**2**	**0**	**7**	**6**	**5**
Honduras	3	1	1	1	6	7	4
Australia	3	0	0	3	3	6	0

Nigeria 3	v	Honduras 3
Australia 0	v	Italy 1
Italy 3	v	Honduras 1
Australia 2	v	Nigeria 3
Italy 1	v	Nigeria 1
Australia 1	v	Honduras 2

GROUP B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chile	**3**	**2**	**0**	**1**	**7**	**3**	**6**
Spain	**3**	**2**	**0**	**1**	**6**	**3**	**6**
Korea Rep	3	2	0	1	2	3	6
Morocco	3	0	0	3	1	7	0

Korea Rep 0	v	Spain 3
Morocco 1	v	Chile 4
Korea Rep 1	v	Morocco 0
Spain 1	v	Chile 3
Korea Rep 1	v	Chile 0
Spain 2	v	Morocco 0

GROUP C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
USA	**3**	**1**	**2**	**0**	**6**	**4**	**5**
Cameroon	**3**	**1**	**2**	**0**	**5**	**4**	**5**
Kuwait	3	1	0	2	6	8	3
Czech Rep	3	0	2	1	5	6	2

Cameroon 3	v	Kuwait 2
USA 2	v	Czech Rep 2
Czech Rep 2	v	Kuwait 3
USA 1	v	Cameroon 1
Czech Rep 1	v	Cameroon 1
USA 3	v	Kuwait 1

GROUP D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Brazil	**3**	**2**	**0**	**1**	**5**	**4**	**6**
Japan	**3**	**2**	**0**	**1**	**4**	**3**	**6**
South Africa	3	1	0	2	5	5	3
Slovakia	3	1	0	2	4	6	3

Brazil 3	v	Slovakia 1
South Africa 1	v	Japan 2
Brazil 1	v	South Afica 3
Slovakia 1	v	Japan 2
Brazil 1	v	Japan 0
Slovakia 2	v	South Africa 1

KNOCKOUT STAGE

Chile	**4**
Nigeria	**1**
Brazil	**1**
Cameroon	**2**
Italy	**0**
Spain	**1**
Japan	**2**
USA	**2 (5-4 pens)**

Chile	**1**
Cameroon	**2**
Spain	**3**
USA	**1**

BRONZE PLAYOFF

Chile	**2**
USA	**0**

GOLD PLAYOFF

Cameroon	**2**
Spain	**3**

(Cameroon 5-4 on penalties)

KASEY WEHRMAN'S THOUGHTS ON:

His Own Performance: I was fairly happy. I don't think I played badly in any of the games overall. I think I played well and worked hard and gave 100% which is all you can do as a player.

The Team's Performance: We were devastated. A lot of hard work came to nothing...well it wasn't really nothing, we all learnt something from it.

The Occasion: It was an experience. It was very exciting seeing all the stars going off to the different events and the patriotism shown by the Australian people was fantastic.

With just eight teams in the women's section, a top-two finish in the group stage would have seen the Matildas progress straight to the semi-finals. And after managing to avoid the two big guns, USA and China, Australia would have fancied their chances of making the final four. However, a disastrous 3-0 loss to Germany in their opening match set them on the back foot and they never recovered. Sweden held them to a frustrating draw in their next game so the Matildas headed into their final group match needing to beat Brazil to clinch second spot. But after Sonny Hughes gave them the lead with a breathtaking goal, the Australians collapsed and it was a defensive mix-up of even greater proportions than their Olyroo counterparts that seasled the women's fate.

GROUP STAGE

GROUP E

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Germany	**3**	**3**	**0**	**0**	**6**	**1**	**9**
Brazil	**3**	**2**	**0**	**1**	**5**	**3**	**6**
Sweden	3	0	1	2	1	4	1
Australia	3	0	1	2	2	6	1

Australia 0	v	Germany 3
Sweden 0	v	Brazil 2
Australia 1	v	Sweden 1
Germany 2	v	Brazil 1
Australia 1	v	Brazil 2
Germany 1	v	Sweden 0

GROUP F

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
USA	**3**	**2**	**1**	**0**	**6**	**2**	**7**
Norway	**3**	**2**	**0**	**1**	**5**	**4**	**6**
China PR	3	1	1	1	5	4	4
Nigeria	3	0	0	3	3	9	0

USA 2	v	Norway 0
China PR 3	v	Nigeria 1
USA 1	v	China PR 1
Norway 3	v	Nigeria 1
USA 3	v	Nigeria1
Norway 2	v	China PR 1

KNOCKOUT STAGE

Germany	**0**
Norway	**1**
Brazil	**0**
USA	**1**

BRONZE PLAYOFF

Brazil	**0**
Germany	**2**

GOLD PLAYOFF

Norway	**3**
USA	**2**

(After extra time)

Adelaide City Force

Not even the major milestone of 400 NSL games at the helm of the Adelaide club was enough to inspire Zoran Matics' team to victory over South Melbourne in the opening fixture at Hindmarsh Stadium - played before a disappointing 3,625 attendance. While it is almost certain Matic will overhaul Frank Arok (429) during the season, he openly admits his side will struggle for a top-six berth after losing many key players, namely their stalwart skipper Alex Tobin, Damian Mori and Angelo Costanzo. The Force could now be without striker Claudio Pelosi who was replaced midway through the second half of last weekend's match because of a groin strain.

Sign-ins: Ante Kovacevic (M.Knights), Fabrizio Bucciarelli (Palermo)

Sign-outs: Alex Tobin (P.Power), Damian Mori (P.Glory), Angelo Costanzo (M.Stallions), Ivan Zelic (M.Knights), Dong-ki Kim (E.Pride), Matt Kemp (Spal, Italy).

Brisbane Strikers

The Strikers surprised many people last year by leading the league early on, only to crash mid-way through the season and eventually miss a finals berth despite a late revival. On the player debit side, the club has lost goalkeeper Clint Bolton to Sydney Olympic with his replacement likely to be Daniel Duke. Talented Joey Jade North is also expected to play a large part in the clubs fortunes. With no significant pre-season signings, the Brisbane side is not expected to fare any better this term, despite coach John Kosmina optimistic of success with his young brigade. The club reportedly made NSL history last weekend by broadcasting the game via their official web-site.

Sign-ins: Lawrence Drake (QAS)

Sign-outs: Clint Bolton (S.Olympic), Chay Hews (trials)

Canberra Cosmos

The Cosmos is another club that was unsure of their NSL future during the off-season. Despite the loss of a number of quality players, the side has come back from a successful morale-lifting pre-season hit-out in China. "It got all the players together for the first time this season," said coach Tom Sermanni. Strikers Mark Hagger and Jon Angelucci and midfielder Naoki Imaya are the club's chief signings, replacing Harry James, Jason Polak and Ivo De Jesus. "We want to be competitive in every game we play and see what results pop up from that," said coach Sermanni. With midfield playmaker Alec Castro agreeing to stay with the club, the Cosmos are once again in a position to cause a few upsets this season.

Sign-ins: Jon Angelucci (P.Power), Marcus Phillips (S.Olympic), Mark Hagger (Blacktown City), Barney Smith (P.Power), Naoki Imaya

Sign-outs: Andrew Clark (P.Power), Harry James (S.Olympic), PJ Roberts (P.Glory), Grant Barlow (W.Wolves), Ivo De Jesus, Jason Polak (retired).

Carlton SC

Apart from the loss of forward Alex Moriera to Spirit and star recruit Simon Colosimo, who is trialling in England, Carlton still have ample talent in Archie Thompson, Steve Horvat, Craig Deans, skipper Andrew Marth, Lubo Lapsansky and David Terminello. Their coach is Stuart Munro, a no-nonsense defender who can boast an impressive four league championships and four League Cups under his belt when playing with Glasgow Rangers between 1984 and 1991. Munro also made one appearance for Blackburn Rovers in 1993 before making over 100 with Bristol City. This season, the Blues will be playing their games at the home of South Melbourne, Bob Jane Stadium.

Sign-ins: Robbie Middleby (Kingz)

Sign-outs: Alex Moriera (N.Spirit), Stuart Slater (UK)

Eastern Pride

Known as Gippsland Falcons last season where they finished a disappointing second last, the Latrobe Valley club could find 2000-2001 to be equally difficult since they have not been able to recruit strongly, on top of losing the services of ex-Socceroo stopper MehmedtDurakovic and midfielder Andy Vargas. Their coach is Jeff Hopkins, a tall, former Welsh international defender (16 caps) who played over 200 times for Fulham from 1981-88. New signing Neville Roach, formerly of Southend and Reading, scored the team's opening goal last weekend. Captain Clayton Bell will have become the third player for Pride to have 100 appearances under his belt if he played against the Kingz last night.

Sign-ins: Dong-ki Kim (A.Force), Neville Roach (UK)

Sign-outs: Mehmet Durakovic (S.Melb), Andy Vargas (M.Knights)

Kingz FC

The New Zealand team has been very quiet during the off-season, but appear to have picked up some useful signings that include Argentinean goalkeeper Julio Cuello, although he has yet to make an appearance since Under-23 custodian Chris Marsh has been keeping the Estudiantis La Plata player on the bench. Cuello recently raised the eyebrows of the SPCA, who expressed their displeasure over a TV commercial that sees the goalkeeper dive to catch a soccer ball from a burning building, while allowing a puppy plummet to his doom. The Bundesliga contacts of former Werder Breman star Wynton Rufer, has enabled the Kingz coach to bring midfielder Andreas Bluhm and forward Dennis Ibrahim to the club.

Sign-ins: Paul Urlovic (M.Knights), Julio Cuello (Argentina), Andreas Bluhm, Dennis Ibrahim (Germany), Gerard Davis (USA)

Sign-outs: Marcus Stergiopoulos (UK), Robbie Middleby (Carlton)

Marconi Stallions

The Stallions started it's 25th year in the NSL with a 2-0 triumph against Parramatta Power last weekend and the signs are already there that the club could be making it a season to celebrate. The club bought extensively during the off-season, a shopping list that includes John Maisano, Raphael Bove, Angelo Costanzo and James Afkos, though the diminutive ex-Glory midfielder missed last week's match with an injury. Eddie Krncevic is now four games away from a coaching century after today's home fixture against Canberra Cosmos.

Sign-ins: John Maisano (Helmond, Holland), Angelo Costanzo (A.Force), Raphael Bove (Livorno, Italy), John Gibson (P.Power), Norm Tome (S.Olympic), James Afkos (P.Glory)

Sign-outs: Zeljko Babic (St. Truiden, Belgium), Brad Maloney (P.Glory), Francis Awaritefe (S.United), Danny Invincible (Swindon Town, UK)

Melbourne Knights

The Knights, who are likely to field the youngest team in the league, enjoyed a fruitful pre-season campaign after signing a number of talented locals and then kicked off the new season with a 2-1 win over Brisbane Strikers. Coach Vlado Vanis believes new signing Xhezair Sulemani, a 19-year-old 6'2" striker from the South Dandenong club, will give many defences a worrying time with his electrifying pace, while Angolan forward Tota Da Costa is another new acquisition believed to be a key component in the fortunes of the Knights.

Sign-ins: Joel Porter (Croydon Kings SA), Tota Da Costa (Belgium), Andy Vargas (P.Pride), Ivan Zelic (A.Force)

Sign-outs: Ante Kovacevic (A.Force), Zeljko Susa (S.Melb), Paul Urlovic (Kingz), Mark Silic (S.United), Ivan Kelic

Newcastle United

After months of aganizing uncertainty and together with a name change, Newcastle United celebrated their continued involvement in the National Soccer League with a determined draw last Saturday against another of the renamed clubs, Eastern Pride.

United coach Lee Sterrey has been one of the first to admit his former Breakers side has "been through hell" over the past year, but he will be keen to put it all behind him now and get on with doing what he does best, now that the grave financial problems which have relentlessly hampered the club, are virtually resolved through their saviour chairman, Con Constantine. So, after seeing their pre-season preparations in total disarray, the 1-1 result against the old Gippsland Falcons away from home would have more than satisfied Sterrey, his players and supporters alike.

Sign-ins: Esala Masi, Anthony Surjan (Wollongong Wolves), Peter Tsekenis, Chris Zoricich (Sydney Olympic).

Sign-outs: Greg Owens, Glenn Moore (Sydney Olympic), Shane Pryce (Perth), Chris Tanchevski, Paul Wheeler (released)

Northern Spirit

With Scottish giants Glasgow Rangers becoming the clubs new owners during the off-season, there is great optimism about the Spirit rekindling the successes of their inaugural season in the NSL - although last week's 2-1 defeat at the hands of Sydney United certainly didn't help their cause. The Spirit have signed 19-year old Ben Burgess, a tall, strong targetman from the Blackburn Rovers club who came downunder on the recommendation of Rangers' chairman David Murray; a friend of Rovers' manager Graeme Souness.

Sign-ins: Gabriel Mendez, Scott Thomas (S.Olympic), Ben Burgess (UK), Alex Moriera (Carlton), Noel Spencer (W.Wolves)

Sign-outs: David Seal (UK), Paul Wearne (P.Pride), Jess Van Stratten (Juventus, Italy),

Parramatta Power

After finishing 11th in their inaugural season, the Power seem ready to make a vast improvement on this, if the strength of their new signings is anything to go by. Ex-England U21 and Chelsea defender David Lee plus ex-Celtic and Aberdeen winger Joe Miller are two, together with Wolves 'keeper Les Pogliacomi, South Melbourne stopper Nick Orlic and NSL veteran Alex Tobin, who is eight games away from surpassing former Adelaide City team-mate Sergio Melta's all-time record of 445 appearances. Lee, incidentally, made an inauspicious debut with Exeter City last season, by getting sent off after just 12 minutes during their game against York.

Sign-ins: Alex Tobin (A.Force), Joe Miller (Dundee Utd, Scotland), David Lee (Exeter City), Nick Orlic (S.Melb), Hamilton Thorp (P.Glory), Les Pogliacomi (W.Wolves), Andrew Clark (C.Cosmos)

Sign-outs: Stephen Laybutt (Feyenoord, Holland), Jakob Burns (Leeds Utd), Mile Sterjovski (Lille, France), Richard Plesa (S.United)

South Melbourne

One of only three clubs to have participated in every NSL season, South's failed to make the play-offs in 1999-2000, despite representing the League superbly at the inaugural Club World Championship in Brazil. The club welcomes back three of their former players in Michael Petkovic, former Glory boy Con Boutsianis and Mehmed Durakovic, who turned 35 last Friday - the day they downed Adelaide Force 3-1, in the opening round of fixtures. Similarly with last weeks game against the Force, it is likely key defender Robert Liparoti will miss today's clash with Perth Glory due to a chest infection. His absence however, enabled promising 19-year old Youth defender Patrick Kisnorbo to make a notable debut.

Sign-ins: Michael Petkovic, Zeljko Susa (M.Knights), Mehmed Durakovic (P.Pride), Con Boutsianis (P.Glory), Vas Kalogeracos (P.Glory)

Sign-outs: Con Blatsis (Derby, UK), Michael Curcija (Partizan Belgrade, Yugoslavia), Nick Orlic (P.Power).

Sydney Olympic

The Sydney club was another that experienced a mass exodus of influential players, only able to welcome a few newcomers with comparable talent. Goalkeeper Clint Bolton and gifted midfielder Troy Halpin are two significant acquisitions. The team finished fourth last season after enjoying almost four months as ladder leaders and should go close to repeating the feat - only if the limited depth of the squad is not tested by injury.

Sign-ins: Troy Halpin (P.Glory), Clint Bolton (B.Strikers), Glenn Moore and Greg Owens (Newcastle), Harry James (C.Cosmos), Ante Moric (S.United) Kresimir Marusic (Lommel, Belgium).

Sign-outs: Brett Emerton (Feyenoord, Holland), Pablo Cardozo (Athinaikos, Greece), Scott Thomas, Gabriel Mendez (N.Spirit), Zlatko Arambasic (S.United), Norm Tome (M.Stallions), Peter Tsekenis, Chris Zoricich (Newcastle), Marcus Phillips (C.Cosmos), Chris Kalantzis and George Bouhoutsos (released).

Sydney United

New signing Zlatko Arambasic couldn't have wished for a better start with his new club after scoring both the second half goals that stunned Northern Spirit last week. The win would have certainly delighted debutante coach Alan Hunter, who hung up his earphones with ABC television to take on the difficult coaching post at the Sydney United Sports Centre. Hunter had an illustrious 343-game career in the NSL that includes a championship medal with Brisbane in 1996/97. United finished last season as wooden-spooners with a young team, but the inclusion of defender Danny Burt and seasoned strikers Arambasic and Francis Awaritefe should give the squad added muscle and maturity.

Sign-ins: Francis Awaritefe (M.Stallions), Zlatko Arambasic (S.Olympic), Danny Burt (C.Cosmos), Mark Silic (M.Knights), Richard Plesa (P.Power), Commins Menapi, Francis Wapi (NZ).

Sign-outs: Ante Moric (S.Olympic), Eddy Bosnar (Dinamo Zagreb), Nick Bosevski, Mario Jerman.

Wollongong Wolves

The defending champions will be out to prove that their remarkable penalty shootout victory over Perth Glory was no fluke while at the same time prepare for next January's Oceania club championship in Papua New Guinea, where the eventual winner travels to Spain next May for the lucrative World Club Championship. The loss of coach Nick Theodorakopoulos has been alleviated by the promotion of his assistant Ron Corry, a former Socceroo goalkeeper who was coach of Sydney United in 1989/90 for 15 games. Many experts have snubbed the Wolves in their top-six predictions - but that proved to be the case last season!

Sign-ins: Grant Barlow (C.Cosmos)

Sign-outs: Esala Masi (Newcastle), Les Pogliacomi (P.Power), Noel Spencer (N.Spirit), Mark Robertson (Swindon Town, UK)

Richard Kreider

FIGO FORCED TO CHANGE CAR PLATES

Real Madrid superstar Luis Figo has been forced to change his car's number plates in an effort to prevent it from being damaged by his own club's fans, reported a Spanish sports

tabloid recently.

The Portuguese international moved from Barcelona to rivals Real Madrid for an astonishing world record fee of US$56.1 million in July. Figo incensed a number of fans from both camps by swearing that he would never leave Barcelona. The star winger returns to Barca with Real Madrid today to play his first match against his former club.

MAN U MAKE UMBRO SEE RED

Manchester United's kit producer Umbro has reportedly accepted legal advice after the disclosure that the country's richest football club has agreed a 300 million pound deal with US sportswear giant Nike. The English Daily Telegraph reported the Manchester-based sportswear company are fuming that the Nike deal had materialized when almost two years remained on an current contract with the Reds. United came clean last month, saying it was having discussions with a leading sportswear company after the news broke that it was close to sealing a 15-year contract with Nike that would reap the club in the vicinity of 20 million pounds a season.

WEAH SIGNS FOR MARSEILLE

Former World Footballer of the Year George Weah, has signed a one year deal with French giants Olympique Marseille within hours of walking out on English Premiership side Manchester City.

The 34-year-old Liberian had turned down offers from Serie A clubs Bologna and Perugia before agreeing to play in France. The former AC Milan and Chelsea star forward has an option of a second season, a spokesman said. It is hoped he will make his club debut today against Lille.

MARADONA PONDERS COACHING POST

Argentine soccer legend Diego Maradona, is considering an offer to take over the reigns of the struggling and financially crippled Buenos Aires team, his agent Guillermo Coppola said recently.

Maradona, who has spent most of this year in Cuba under treatment for a drug problem that wrecked a sparkling playing career, has reportedly contacted the owners of Club Atletico Almagro about a possible deal through a steady stream of telephone conversations. The club's president and vice-president were to have flown into Havana last week to discuss a possible contract.

Maradona's previous attempts into coaching with Argentine clubs Deportivo Mandiyu de Corrientes and Racing Club de Avellanedas, brought little success, and he would have his work cut out again with Almagro.

Although recently promoted to the Argentine First Division for the first time in more than half a century, the club from a poor Buenos Aires suburb currently lies bottom with five defeats and four draws.

PUSKAS IN HOSPITAL

Ferenc Puskas, arguably Hungary's greatest footballer, is in hospital suffering from arteriosclerosis but his life is not in danger, his manager said last week.

Puskas (73) received a visit on Sunday from his former Real Madrid strike partner Alfredo Di Stefano. Puskas' wife Elisabet was quoted as saying he had been overwhelmed by the visit. Spanish football federation president Angel Maria Villar said that he would also make the trip to Budapest.

Dubbed "The Galloping Major", Puskas was the most influential player in the wonderful Hungarian team of 1950s and was capped 84 times.

His manager Jozsef Barkovics said Puskas needed medical check-ups for the arteriosclerosis – hardening of the arteries – but his state of health was acceptable for the time being and he was well for his age.

Led by Puskas, Hungary recorded one of the most famous victories in soccer history in 1953 when they became the first continental team to beat England at Wembley, winning 6-3 in magnificent style. Six months later they were even more devastating, trouncing England 7-1 in Budapest.

DOUGLAS SIGNS FOR CELTIC

Scottish giants Celtic have completed the £1.5 million signing of Dundee keeper Rab Douglas. The move is also a huge bonus for his previous club Livingston who agreed a selling-on clause in his contract when he joined Dundee for £60,000 plus a player. It is likely the Almondvale outfit could receive a whopping £150,000 for their trouble. Parkhead boss Martin O'Neill said he arrives at Celtic as a player to increase the competition for places, but he's likely to start against Dundee United at Parkhead at the weekend.

Meanwhile, Israeli midfielder Eyal Berkovic has said he'll remain with Celtic until Christmas but if he doesn't get a game, he wants out. The talented midfielder returned from shining for Israel only to sit on the bench against St Mirren last weekend.

"Of course it's not the best feeling to sit on the bench, but I try to be cool because I have my family here and I don't want to affect them," said Berkovic, who states he has received offers from a number of English Premiership sides.

PANUCCI LEAVES STAMFORD BRIDGE

Chelsea defender Christian Panucci has flown back to Italy after being told by Blues manager Claudio Ranieri that he doesn't feature in his plans.

Panucci, who was signed by previous manager Gianluca Vialli on a one year loan deal from Inter Milan was told mid-week by Ranieri of his decision, and immediately flew back to Italy.

Panucci arrived at Stamford Bridge following a heated disagreement with former Inter manager Marcello Lippi. But since Lippi has been released, Panucci will return to a healthier welcome than he apparently received at Stamford Bridge.

It is understood that the Italian international was not popular with certain Chelsea players. An on-the-field spat with Jimmy Floyd Hasselbaink in the Premiership match against Leicester was followed up by reports that whilst Chelsea were trying to sign Brazilian winger Savio from Real Madrid, Panucci had spoken to the player advising him against joining the London side. He also spoke out on a number of occasions on how much he would like to rejoin the European Champions rather than play in the Premiership.

Richard Kreider

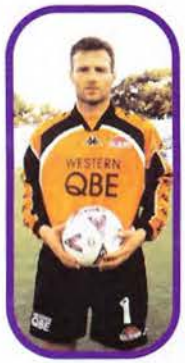
Season Launch

This year's official Perth Glory season launch was quite unlike those of previous seasons. It took place at Perth Oval - under lights. Sponsors, officials, media and volunteers made their way out onto the ground through the players' tunnel in a fanfare of bright lights and smoke. Then Master of Ceremonies Gerry Gannon called Bernd Stange and his team to the stage one one to be presented with their new home strip by Jules Di Bartolomeo, deputy general manager of QBE's, the Glory's major sponsor. Guests were then introduced to the club's new mascot, "Urgg" the gorilla, before being directed towards a big screen featuring the new and exciting Perth Glory website which was put together by Globalsoft.

New Strips and Numbers

With a number of players coming and going this season, it might take a few games for fans to immediately put a number to a player, but there are a couple of Glory boys who were here last campaign who will also have a different playing number this season. Jason Petkovic has taken over the number one jumper after wearing 23 last season, while Ljubo Milicevic will be wearing four instead of 22.

Kappa have also been busy during the off-season and have brought out a stylish new third strip, consisting of navy blue shirts, shorts and socks that will be worn if both the Glory's home and away strip clash with the opposition.



Media Support

Have you ever wanted to know more about what Bernd Stange and his players think about their performances, their opponents or just soccer in general? Well this season even the hungriest fans shouldn't be left wanting as Perth Glory's tremendous relationship with WA's media will see a smorgasboard of information, news and gossip. Leading the way again will be ***The West Australian***, headed by Mel Moffat and Jonathan Cook and the fantastic 'Super Soccer' liftout. Radio station **6PR** will continue their live coverage of all Glory games and the following segments will also be regular features throughout the season.

Radio 6PR - Mondays 6:40pm - 7:00pm - Varied Perth Glory players
Radio 96fm - Tuesdays 7:30am - Jamie Harnwell
Radio ABC - Thursdays 7:15am - Varied Perth Glory players
Radio 96fm - Thursdays 7:40am - 7:50am - Varied Perth Glory players
Radio 6IX - Fridays 8:45am - Mich d'Avray
ABC Karratha - Saturdays 9:30am - Varied Perth Glory players

FROM THE JUNGLE COMES A NEW MASCOT

In the deepest, darkest reaches of the jungle where no one has ever gone before lives a young gorilla known to his gorilla friends as 'Urgg'. Now 'Urgg' was a particularly mischievous gorilla who was always getting into trouble with the older gorillas. The problem was that he had too much energy and not enough to do. In other words he was bored.

One day however an old cargo plane was flying over the jungle loaded full of purple soccer balls to be delivered to the city. Here they were they were going to be shipped to Perth Glory in Western Australia. Suddenly one of the plane's engines started coughing and belching smoke. Inside the cockpit the pilot hurriedly switched off the engine and the propeller spluttered to a stop. Realising he would never make it to the airport on just one engine, with a full load, he made the decision to ditch his cargo. The co-pilot hurried to the cargo bay and began tossing all the soccer balls out of the airplane.

Down below in the jungle 'Urgg' was happily swinging through the vines looking for bananas when suddenly it started raining soccer balls all around him. Startled 'Urgg' jumped down to the jungle floor and cautiously approached one of the balls. First he sniffed a ball, then realising it wasn't going to attack him he picked it up and squeezed it. 'Maybe it's a kind of fruit' he thought. With this thought in mind he sunk his teeth into the hard leather. The ball popped loudly startling 'Urgg' who ran off and hid behind a tree. After a short while, after realising that the balls weren't going to attack him, he shambled over to one of them for another closer look.

As he was picking it up the ball slipped from his fingers, hit the ground and bounced back up to him. Startled by this discovery 'Urgg' dropped the ball again to see what would happen. The ball obligingly bounced back into his hands. By now 'Urgg' was starting to enjoy himself. This time when he dropped the ball he kicked it, the ball flew off into the trees and landed about 30 metres away. By now 'Urgg' couldn't get the smile off his face. Racing after the ball he booted it and once more it sailed away into the distance. 'Urgg' was hooked. He spent the next couple of hours happily kicking balls, juggling them on his feet and learning all sorts of new tricks. Written on each of the balls were the words 'Perth Glory soccer'. 'Urrg' decided then and there that this 'soccer' game was for him and he had to find Perth Glory and join the team.

Packing a sack full of bananas 'Urrg' left the jungle and stowed away on a merchant ship delivering Perth Glory merchandise to Fremantle harbour in Western Australia. After several months and dozens of bananas 'Urrg' finally arrived in Perth and under the cover of darkness sneaked into Perth Oval. Here under the stadium he found a little used storeroom that he set up as his home away from home.

At last he had arrived and was about to realise his dream of playing soccer with Perth Glory. Now all he has to do is wait for the new season to commence!

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Glory Abroad,

Whilst visiting relatives in the north-east of England, I took time out to visit my local team Middlebrough's ground, 'Riverside Stadium'. Of course I went appropriately dressed in my Perth Glory shirt. I was immediately spotted and approached by other visitors from Sydney, who had watched the NSL Final on television and had enjoyed every minute of it. Photos were taken at the main front office and sitting in the Director's room.

Yours Gloriously,
John Corrigan of Swanview.

Dear Glory,
We've been back in rainy old England for six weeks and are suffering major Glory withdrawal symptoms...on Saturday we decided to go for a good old KFC in a small town in Hampshire called Fleet. It was raining so I threw on my Glory jacket, only to be asked by a bloke in the KFC queue if I was from Perth...and did I support the Glory. "Of course" was my reply and we had a good conversation about the fitness of Naven, the possibility of Bobby keeping his place over Damian and the chances of winning the NSL this year. It felt like being in the Brizzy again...except Ben was born in Perth, has lived in England for 10 years and hasn't even been to Perth Oval! The Glory Abroad fan club is now 3!!! Good luck for the coming season.

Jo Thomas, Campbell Buchan and Ben Billings.

QUIZ

1. Which WA State League club did Anthony Danze recently join Perth Glory from?
2. Who won Perth Glory's first-ever Most Glorious Player (MGP) award?
3. Who scored the first goal in the Glory's dramatic 2-0 semi-final win against Wollongong last season?
4. Which Dutch club did Olyroos captain Brett Emerton join during the off-season?
5. Which NSL club will Francis Awaritefe be playing for this season?
6. Which Australian soccer club play their home matches at Bruce Stadium?
7. Which team did former Glory defender Danny Hay, now of Leeds, recently make his Premier League debut against?
8. Who became the world's most expensive player when he was transferred to Real Madrid for almost $100 million earlier this year.
9. Who are the reigning FA Cup holders?
10. Who did Cameroon beat in the semi-final at the recent Sydney Olympic Games?

Answers on page 50

JUNIOR GLORY

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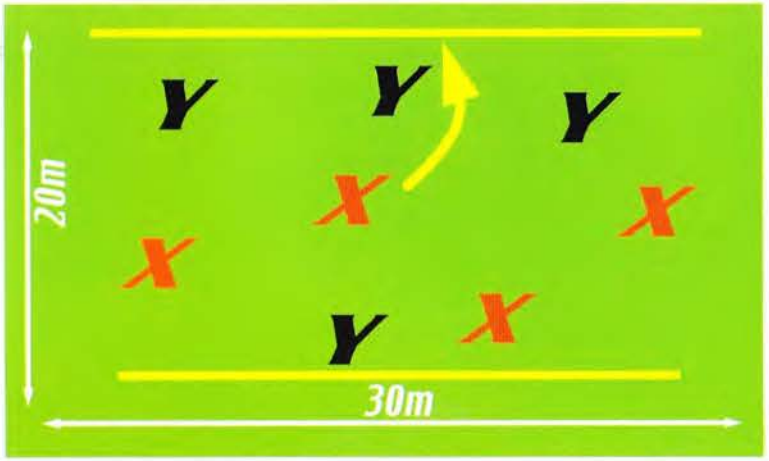

Two teams **X** and **Y** play a game where the object is to score a goal by dribbling the ball over the opponent's line. The attacker must be in full control of the ball when crossing the line.

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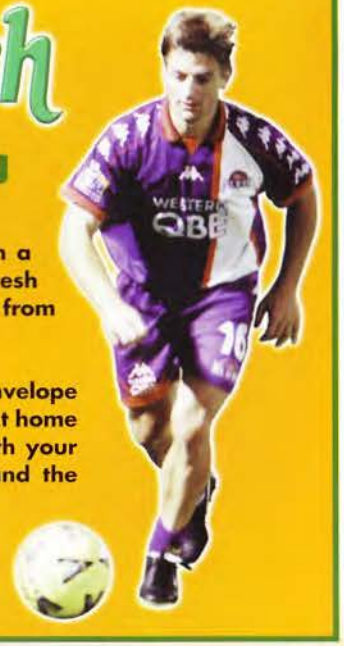
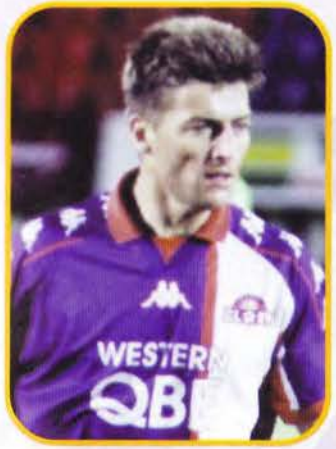
Please address entries to Harvey Fresh First Goal Competition, PO Box, Floreat 6014.





MEMORABLE MILESTONE FOR MORI

Congratulations to Damian Mori who celebrated his 300th NSL match last week against Wollongong with a brilliant goal on his league debut for Perth. But there could be more glory in store for the star striker who will play his first home game for his new club today needing just one goal to become the first player in the history of the NSL to score 150 goals.

MORI JOINS SELECT GROUP WITH DEBUT GOAL

Still on the topic of Mori, the 30-year-old's second-half strike against Wollongong made him the fifth player to score on his Glory debut. Alan MacKenzie did it of course, scoring in the club's first-ever NSL outing against UTS Olympic, while Samson Siasia netted after just four minutes against Adelaide City in his first start. His Nigerian compatriot Peter Anosike did the same against Adelaide Sharks and most recently Alistair Edwards achieved the feat, also against the Sharks.

BROTHERLY LOVE?

As last season's grand final showed, not many things in soccer are predictable. But one thing that is certain about today's match is that Petkovic won't be on the losing side. Whether it's the Glory's Jason or younger brother Michael of South Melbourne who is smiling at the end of 90 minutes remains to be seen as the goalkeeping stars go head-to-head.

ONLY ONE START FOR GLORY

Perhaps when Stuart Young equalised for Wollongong in last week's match against the Glory, WA fans should have sensed a draw was going to be the best Bernd Stange's boys would achieve. In each of the Glory's five seasons in the NSL, they have scored one goal in their first match. Twice (the first two years) they went on to lose, while the next two season-openers both saw wins, before this year's 1-1 draw.

1996/97	**Round 1**	**Glory 1**	**v**	**UTS Olympic 4**
1997/98	**Round 1**	**Glory 1**	**v**	**Adelaide City 4**
1998/99	**Round 1**	**Adelaide City 0**	**v**	**Glory 1**
1999/00	**Round 1**	**Gippsland 0**	**v**	**Glory 1**
2000/01	**Round 1**	**Wollongong 1**	**v**	**Glory 1**

VAS HAS GLORY IN HIS SIGHTS

When Vas Kalogeracos left the pitch at the end of last season's Round 6 loss to Brisbane, little did he know the next time he'd step onto Perth Oval would be to play against the Glory. But today the pocket-sized striker, who ironically scored two hat-tricks for Perth against South Melbourne, will be back in WA and you can bet he'd like nothing more than to help his new side, probably minus the injured Con Boutsianis, steal all three points.

ANSWERS TO QUIZ

1. ECU Joondalup 2. Gavin Wilkinson 3. Rob Trajkovski 4. Feyenoord 5. Sydney United 6. Canberra Cosmos 7. Tottenham Hotspur 8. Luis Figo 9. Chelsea 10. Spain

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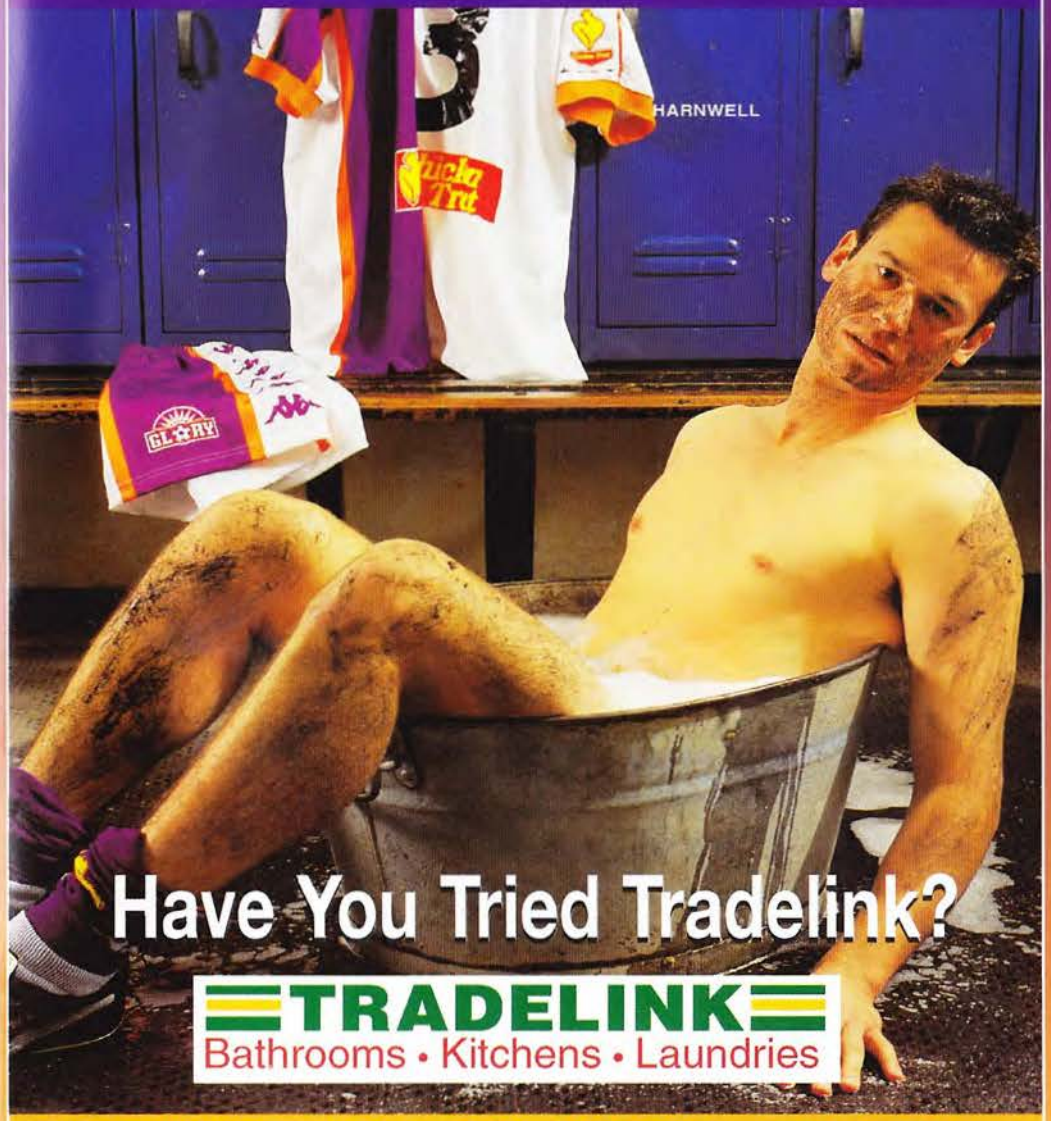

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ROUND 2

PERTH GLORY

		PG Games	PG Goals	NSL Games	NSL Goals
1	Jason PETKOVIC	30	0	185	0
2	Robert TRAJKOVSKI	60	4	146	6
3	Jamie HARNWELL	55	5	55	5
4	Ljubo MILICEVIC	9	2	9	2
5	Vinko BULJUBASIC	59	1	146	4
6	Gareth NAVEN (c)	116	5	128	5
7	Scott MILLER	117	10	166	13
8	Brad MALONEY	1	0	238	62
9	Alistair EDWARDS	49	20	129	30
10	Bobby DESPOTOVSKI	103	40	126	50
11	Kasey WEHRMAN	20	0	72	6
12	Peter BULJAN	13	1	80	22
13	Anthony DANZE	0	0	0	0
14	Dion VALLE	21	0	21	0
15	Edgar ALDRIGHI JR	36	0	36	0
16	Damian MORI	1	1	300	149
17	Gary FARIA	1	0	1	0
18	Shane PRYCE	1	0	130	17
19	John CARBONE	29	0	29	0
20	Tony FRANKEN	39	0	278	0
21	PJ ROBERTS	0	0	37	1
24	Aaron COLE	0	0	0	0
30	Tommi TOMICH	0	0	0	0

SOUTH MELBOURNE

		SM Games	SM Goals	NSL Games	NSL Goals
1	Michael PETKOVIC	106	0	106	0
2	Steve IOSIFIDIS	105	0	121	0
3	Fausto DE AMICIS	117	1	230	5
4	Mehmet DURAKOVIC	139	5	271	8
5	Robert LIPAROTI	54	1	54	1
6	David CLARKSON	101	6	184	16
7	Steve PANOPOULOS	161	22	161	22
8	Vaughan COVENY	148	42	214	61
9	Paul TRIMBOLI	351	97	373	101
10	Con BOUTSIANIS	143	47	212	79
11	John ANASTASIADIS	81	29	103	29
12	Richie ALAGICH	12	0	129	4
13	Andy VLAHOS	11	4	110	30
15	Goran LOZANOVSKI	68	12	189	20
16	Zeljko SUSA	1	0	69	8
17	Rade CULIBRK	2	0	2	0
18	Elias DEMOURTZIDIS	1	0	8	2
19	Patrick KISNORBO	1	0	1	0
20	Chris JONES	26	0	26	0
21	Vas KALOGERACOS	1	1	61	23

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